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Exploring Underreported Stories: Article Analysis

Title Parched Rivers, withered crops Show dire impact of Amazon drought	Author - Sam Cowie - Rodrigo Pedrosa	Date Published 11/30/23
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Summarize: Critical Facts from the Text

- Crops in Amazon are dying
- People living on Amazon river are losing jobs
- Climate change
- El Niño caused severe drought
- Issues like this will likely increase in the future
- navigation issues on rivers
- shipping costs have increased
- federal funds to help issue
- river is at lowest level since 1902

Analyze: What is the writer's overall claim?

Climate change is causing severe drought that is impacting the livelihoods of fishermen, traders, and farmers who rely on the Amazon Rainforest and river to survive.

Evaluate: What do you notice about the writer's structure or organization? How effective is it for the purpose of the text?

The structure was well organized with a good combination of anecdotes and facts, making the article very informative on the issue.

Evaluate: Focus on the multimedia components of the text. What photographs are used? Videos? Podcasts? Other visuals? How effective are they in adding to the purpose of the text?

Photos of the drought afflicted areas and farmers helped show the seriousness of the issue and put a face to the people affected.

Reflect and Extend: What new understanding do you have after reading this article? What questions do you have that are unanswered from the text? What do you want to ask the writer? What related questions or ideas does this text give you?

- I didn't know how drought was impacting the river
- I want to know more about how El Niño is impacting this
- If I could talk to the writer, I would ask how the farmers they mentioned in the article are doing now