

**piranha****pi·ranha** [**piranha** **piranhas**] *BrE* [pɪˈrɑːnə] *NAmE* [pɪˈrɑːnɪ] **noun**a small S American ↑**freshwater** fish that attacks and eats live animalsWord Origin:mid 18th cent.: via Portuguese from Tupi-Guarani **pirá** ‘fish’ + **sainha** ‘tooth’.**piranha**

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a South American fish with sharp teeth that lives in rivers and eats flesh

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