

UU Topic: *RAINFORESTS* Autumn Term 2021

Key Vocabulary

Challenge: To know what each of these words mean.

- Rainforest
- Forest floor
- Understorey
- Canopy
- Deforestation
- Habitats
- Emergent layer
- Sustainability
- Jungle
- Amazon basin
- Oxygen/carbon dioxide
- Fairtrade
- Species
- Kapok



Did you know?

- Rainforests are warm and have a lot of rainfall.
- They are the world's oldest natural habitat.
- The rainforest is divided into layers.
- More than a million species of plants and animals live in the Amazon alone.
- That 2000 trees are cut down every minute



key questions:

Where are the world's Rainforests?

Why do some people choose to live there?

What is produced in the Rainforests?

How and why are the Rainforests being destroyed?

Can you name any creatures whose natural habitat is the Rainforest?

What is special about the Amazon River?

Why are our rainforests so important to the rest of the world?



Challenge tasks: We will be thinking about endangered animals and ways in which we can protect the rainforest from being destroyed. Investigate this and design/create a poster. You could do this using ICT or art materials. There are many creatures that live in the rainforests. Research them and then choose your favourite to write a report on. What does it eat? What does it look like? Which layer of the rainforest does it live in? etc. You could include pictures, photos or even interesting fact boxes.
<http://www.rainforestanimals.net/> You could use the website above or use library books.

Places to visit:

Stratford Butterfly Farm

Eden Project

Cadbury World (Aztec and rainforest area)

Online: National geographic
[15 rainforest facts](#) | [National Geographic Kids \(natgeokids.com\)](#)

[Rainforest Information for Kids \(mongabay.com\)](#)



Key Texts:

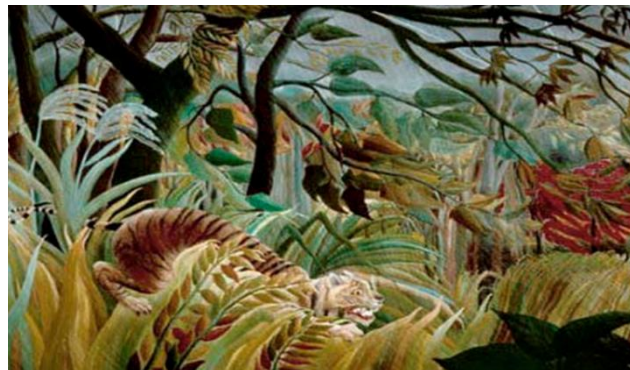
The Enormous Crocodile and
The Minpins by Roald Dahl.

The Great Kapok Tree,

"Where The Forest Meets The
Sea", Jeannie Baker.

"Bloomin Rainforests", Anita
Ganeri.

"Deep in a Rainforest",
Veronica Jeffries.



Jungle Art:
Henri
Rousseau
'Tiger in a
Tropical
Storm'



