



Rainforests Knowledge Organiser

Geography Focus	Year 3	Spring 2
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What should I already know?

I know that a country is a nation with its own government, occupying a particular territory. (Y1)

I can observe changes to the environment, seasonal, weather etc. (Rec)

I know the equator is an imaginary line around the earth called the equator. (Y1)

- Key Information Learnt by the End of the Topic**
- Rainforests are found near to the equator between the tropic of Cancer and the tropic of Capricorn.
 - The climate in the rainforest is the same all year round. It usually rains everyday and is hot and humid.
 - The four main layers of the rainforest are the forest floor, the understorey, the canopy and the emergent layer.
 - Rainforests are located in countries such as Brazil, India, Peru, Mexico, Australia and Malaysia.
 - In the Amazon rainforest there are 170 different languages spoken and two million tourists visit each year.
 - Deforestation happens within the rainforests to create fields for farming cattle, producing timber and growing crops.
 - You can help protect the rainforests by turning off lights and electrical items, using eBooks or library books, not wasting paper and buying fair trade products.

Key Vocabulary	
climate	The average weather conditions over a long period of time.
deforestation	The cutting down and clearing of forests.
equator	An imaginary circle running round the centre of the earth.
humid	Feeling very damp due to water vapour in the air.
native tribes	The original settlers of an area.
species	A group of similar animals or plants
weather	The specific condition on a given day.

