DEEP IN THE AMAZON RAINFOREST

On the forest floor, a jaguar padded silently towards a tree to rest after a long day. He had a unique patterned sequence of fur. Beside the resting jaguar, a strange creature emerged from



the shadows. It was a Hercules beetle which was crawling out from a rock. With his razor - sharp pincers, he scoured the area for his next meal.



Hidden in the Amazon River, a piranha stealthily stalked a trout ready to shred it to the bone. It had crimson red scaly skin and bloody chainsaw like

teeth. High up in the emergent layer, a few trees stood tall forcing the forest life to bow down to them like they were gods. Soaring through the sky, a scarlet red Macaw shot so fast it was like a bullet.



When the monkeys howled it rang through the rainforest with an incredible din. With their unstriped fur, they scampered around a great Kapok tree like they were children. A three toed sloth swung



down from a branch of a tree in the canopy. Because she was agonisingly slow, parasites grew on her like moss and fungi. High above the canopy, the sounds of squawking birds such as the Toucan filled the rainforest. All was calm as the rainforest hummed itself to sleep.

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