



Kingsteignton School Knowledge mat

Autumn 1 Year 5

LCC Geography

What creates a rainforest and why are they located where they are?

What are biomes and can a rainforest be described as one?

Where are the world's most famous rainforests situated?

What are the main features associated with rainforests?

Why is it important for us to protect the rainforests?

Which creatures are endangered if we do nothing?

Main Learning: Rainforests

| Key knowledge | Vocabulary |
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| Know what creates a rainforest and know why they are located where they are | biome Distinct biological communities that have formed in response to a shared physical climate |
| Know what biomes are and that rainforest is one type | canopy Can be over 30 m above the ground and made up of the overlapping branches and leaves of rainforest trees |
| Know where most of the world's rainforests are situated | understory A tangle of shrubs, young trees, saplings, palms and vines |
| Know about the main features associated with a rainforest | biodiversity Variety of plant and animal life in a particular habitat |
| Know why it is important to protect the rainforests | temperate A region or climate characterised by mild temperatures |
| Know about the features of the different layers of a rainforest | deforestation When forests are cut down and the area is permanently cleared for another use |

