

Location:

Continent: South America

Hemisphere: Southern Hemisphere

Countries: Brazil, Peru, Columbia, Venezuela, Ecuador, Bolivia, Guyane and Suriname.



Key Vocabulary	Definition
Basin	A river basin is an area of land drained by a river and its tributaries.
Indigenous	When something naturally exists in a place or country rather than arriving from another place.
Ecosystem	An ecosystem is a geographic area where plants, animals, and other organisms, as well as weather and landscape, work together to form a bubble of life.
Deforestation	Deforestation is the clearing of forested land. Forests have been razed to make space for agriculture and animal grazing, and to obtain wood for fuel, manufacturing, and construction.
Carbon emissions	Carbon emission is the release of carbon into the atmosphere.

What has South America got that the UK hasn't?



Exciting books



The Great Kapok Tree



Journey to the River Sea



Running wild

Longest river in South America

Largest river in the world (amount of water it discharges).

Largest rainforest in the world (17 times bigger than the UK & Ireland).

Decreasing – Deforestation

River and rainforest

Tropical (hot and humid all year).

Rainforest

- 4 layers:**
- Emergent
 - Canopy
 - Understory
 - Forest floor

River