

Answers

1. Name the two types of rainforest.

Temperate and tropical

2. In the fact file, the author mentions 'fresh water'. What do you think fresh water is?

Children's own responses, such as: I think fresh water is water that doesn't contain salt like seawater does. It is the kind of water that is found in lakes and rivers rather than oceans.

3. Near the end of the text, why does the author say rainforests are like the 'Lungs of the Earth'?

**They take in carbon dioxide and give out oxygen (the opposite to our lungs)
OR they 'give' us oxygen to breathe.**

4. In 'The Canopy' section, what does the author mean by 'close proximity'?

Near to each other

5. A rainforest is an 'ecosystem'. What is an ecosystem?

A community where plants, animals and the environment all rely on each other.

6. It is very crowded and leafy in the canopy. How do some animals communicate because of this when they cannot see each other?

Loud calls

7. Why is the forest floor dark?

The canopy blocks the light.

8. Name one way that the rainforests affect our life on Earth.

One from: weather/climate, produces oxygen, absorbs carbon dioxide, the water cycle

9. In the Fact File in Numbers, why has the author emphasised the word 'only'?

To show how important the rainforests are. It also makes you wonder what we would do without them if there is a cancer cure there.

10. Read the last line...what is your opinion and why?

Open ended: discuss and include issues such as carbon dioxide/oxygen, medicines and cures for cancer and animals species.