

Amazon Rainforest Knowledge Organiser



A rainforest is a very **dense**, warm and wet forest with a tropical **climate**.
They are habitats for millions of different animals and plants.

Key Vocabulary	
climate	The average weather conditions over a long period of time.
dense	Closely packed together.
equator	An imaginary circle around the Earth which divides it into two equal parts.
humid	Feeling very damp due to water vapour in the air.
oxygen	The gas that humans and animals need to breathe in order to stay alive.
species	A group of similar animals or plants.
tropical	Somewhere that is warm all year round, but which has rainy seasons.
crown	The crown of a tree is the branches and leaves.
dim	Not bright.
entwined	Twisted together.
nocturnal	A nocturnal animal is one that is active at night and sleeps during the day.
shrub	A small woody plant with thick leaves.

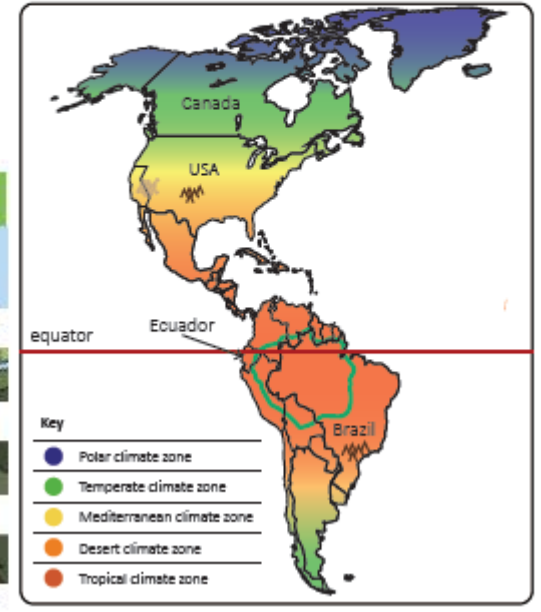
Biomes



economy
The word used to explain how money is made and spent in a particular area. This could be within a country or across the world.

Contrasting climates

Some countries have contrasting climate zones, which means that the typical weather conditions can be very different. Countries in the continents of North and South America have contrasting climate zones.



Layers of the Rainforest

A rainforest is made up of many different layers.

The Emergent Layer

The emergent layer is made up of the tallest trees in the rainforest. Some can reach 70 metres tall. They have huge leafy **crowns** that spread out to catch as much sunlight as possible.

