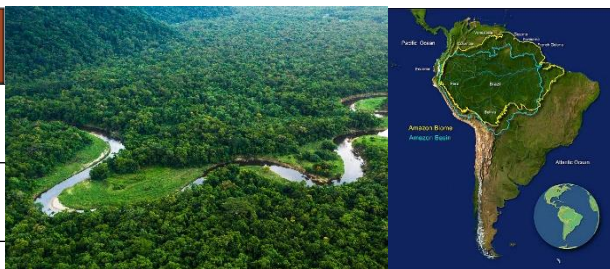


Rainforest Encounter – Y2 Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary

rainforest	A tall, dense forest that receives lots of rain every year.
South America	Is the world's fourth largest continent. There are 12 countries in South America.
coniferous forest	A forest consisting mostly of conifers, which are trees that grow needles instead of leaves and cones instead of flowers
vegetation	All the plants or plant life of a place.
ecosystem	A community of animals and plants together with their habitat.
food chain	The order in which living things depend on each other for food.
tribe	A group of people who live together, share the same language, culture and history and stay outside towns or cities.
indigenous	People or animals that originally lived and may continue to live in a particular country or region.
Yanomami	An indigenous tribe that lives in the South American rainforest.
favela	A slum or shantytown that are mostly found on the outskirts of urban areas in Brazil.
Amazon River	The longest river in South America and second longest river in the world.



Sticky Knowledge

- **Forests** are places where there are lots of trees. There are different kinds of forests in different climates, but the existence of lots trees it the one aspect they all have in common.
- Forests are important **ecosystems** because they provide the air that we breathe as well as clean water and rich, stable soils.
- **Rainforests** are located close to the equator where the climate is hot and wet (tropical).
- Only around 6% of the Earth's land surface is rainforest but about half of all animal and plant species live there.
- The **Amazon rainforest** is located in the continent of **South America**. It is so big that if it was a country, it would be the ninth biggest in the world.
- **Brazil** is a country in South America.
- Manaus is the largest city in the Amazon Rainforest region. It is a port on the Amazon River.
- The Yanomami Tribe live in the Amazon rainforest and they use the environment in order to thrive and survive.

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