Year 5. Spring 1. Geo Vocabulary			ography: Rainforests Knowledge						
rainforest	An area of tall, mostly evergreen trees.			A biome is an area of our planet with similar climates, landscapes, animals and plants. A tropical rainforest is a biome (an area of our planet with similar climates, landscapes, animals and plants).					
Equator	An imaginary line around the widest part of the earth at a latitude of 0° .	S N		A rainforest is an area of tall, mostly evergreen trees. They have a high amount of rainfall and warmth.					
latitude	The distance, measured in degrees, North or South of the equator.			The largest rainforests are the Amazon, Congo, New Guinea, Sundaland and Indo-Burma.					
Tropic of Capricorn	An imaginary line at 23.5 degrees south of the equator.	s s	tropical forests	All tropical rainforests are located between 23.5 degrees North (known as the Tropic of Cancer) and 23.5 degrees south (known as the Tropic of Capricorn).					
Tropic of Cancer	An imaginary line 23.5 degrees north of the equator.	S S	\doldar\dolda	Between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn the climate is humid, wet and hot – which is why tropical rainforests are so abundant.					
emergent layer	The uppermost part of the rainforest			50% of tropical rainforests have been cut down over the last 100 years - This process is called deforestation.					
canopy	The layer which contains the leaves and branches high up in the rainforest.			This happens due to (i) creating space for homes (ii) selling resources (iii) mining for precious materials or fossil fuels (iv) providing land for farming					
understory layer	The lower area where there is little light and vines grow.			The consequences of deforestation are (i) animals and indigenous people lose their homes (ii) soil erosion (iii) contributes to climate change. Trees take carbon dioxide (CO^2) out of the atmosphere, so					
forest floor	The lowest area of the rainforest where there are dead leaves and little light.		* * * * * * * * * *	cutting them down means that there is more CO ² in the atmosphere. Climate change is the increasing overall average temperatures of the Earth. The burning of fossil fuels such as gas, oil and coal is a major contributor. Trees take carbon dioxide from the Earth's atmosphere.					
deforestation	The cutting down of a large area of trees.		8	Trees remove CO^2 out of the atmosphere, so cutting them down means that there is more in the atmosphere.					

Tropical rainforests are Earth's oldest living ecosystems with some surviving in their present form for at least 70 million years.

indigenous

A living organism from a certain place.

	Quiz at home					
Ask your partner the questi	Ask your adult to look at the KO.					
What is the imaginary line called that cir	cles the middle of the Earth?		Emergent layer.		g	
What is the name of the lower area of a	rainforest, where there's little light and vin	es grow?	Tropic of Capricom.		Quiz them using the vocabulary	
What percentage of rainforest trees have	been cut down in the last 100 years?		The understory layer.		and knowledge section or the quiz	
How old are the oldest rainforests believe	ed to be?		Over 70 million years	old.	questions.	
What is the name of the uppermost part	of a rainforest?		The Equator.			
Which imaginary line is in the northern h	nemisphere?		50%		• Can they beat your score?	
Which imaginary line is in the southern I		Burning fossil fuels.				
What gas do trees remove from the atmo		Tropic of Cancer.		• Can they score more than 5? 10?		
What is a major contributor to climate ch		Carbon dioxide.				
BIG Q	uestions		Beat the adult		• Compete with your adult in the	
 Between which two imaginary lines are the rainforests located? What are the four layers of a rainforest called? How should you describe the climate of a rainforest? How is deforestation effecting climate change? What is deforestation and why does it happen? 			ther can give 10 facts in bout this topic. ny can you our partner?	1	elimination quiz. Take it in turn t ask each other questions. The firs person to get a question wrong is out.	
Word scramble	Creative Tasks		Challenge		enge	
Unscramble the key vocabulary from this topic below. You can create your 1. Use a blank copy of the KO to fill in		Deforestation Argument				

Word scramble	Creative Tasks	Challenge			
Unscramble the key vocabulary from this topic below. You can create your own at the bottom agreement lyre quote ar altitude yerry outlanders sor fainter Cap f correcTion a c pony is a tenderfoot effort rools airproof ciTron Cp	 Use a blank copy of the KO to fill in the missing information. Box Rainforest: Create a 3D model of the rainforest layers in a box, adding drawings or cut outs of plants and animals to each layer. Rainforest Art: Draw or paint a rainforest scene, focusing on the plant life. Make an informative poster about saving the rainforests. Make sure that you include illustrations. 	Deforestation Argument Research deforestation and write a balanced argument that includes reasons for deforestation and its advantages and disadvantages. Rainforest Research Research facts about rainforests, such as their importance or the average rainfall they receive, and then create a poster or fact file to share. Food Chain Activity Choose a rainforest. Use photos or your own pictures to sort rainforest animals and plants to create a food chain.			

Enquiry Animal Enquiry

Many different animals live in rainforests. These are from many animal groups: reptiles, mammals, birds, insects, amphibians and arachnids.

Choose one of the rainforests and investigate the different animals that live there.

Make a mindmap to summarise your findings.

Here is a map to help you decide which rainforest to investigate.

