

Solar Centre – Down in the Jungle (The Amazon)

Enquiry question: What are the geographical features of the Amazon Rainforest?

National Curriculum Objectives		Core Knowledge & Key Questions			Specific geographical areas studied
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features, including: forest, hill, , river, soil, vegetation, season, climate and weather. key human features, including: village, settlement, plantation Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied. Use symbols and keys to build their knowledge of the UK and wider world. use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, 		<p>Where in the world is the Amazon Rainforest?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use globes and maps to locate the Amazon Rainforest and River Amazon Label maps of South America including key geographical features. <p>What are the physical features of a rainforest?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the difference between physical and man-made features. Describe the layers of the rainforest <p>How have the physical and human features of the rainforest changed over time?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To understand how humans have affected the rainforest Be aware of the environmental impact of deforestation. 			<p><i>The Amazon Rainforest</i> <i>The River Amazon</i> <i>South America</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior Learning <p><i>May include:</i> <i>North Africa: Egypt</i> <i>Continents and Oceans: Exciting Expeditions topic</i></p>					<p>Linked Texts</p>
					<p>Future Learning</p> <p><i>Local Geography: Godalming</i> <i>Countries of the UK</i> <i>South America: Mayans</i></p>
Locational knowledge	Place knowledge	Physical geography	Human geography	Physical and human processes	BIG Question: Outcome & Assessment Opportunity
<i>Where is the Amazon Rainforest in relation to England, Europe.</i>	<i>How has the Amazon Rainforest changed over time?</i>	<p><i>What are the main physical features of the rainforest?</i></p> <p><i>What is the weather and climate like?</i></p>		<i>How has deforestation affected the rainforest and the flora and fauna?</i>	What can you tell me about the Amazon Rainforest?

Fieldwork Opportunities	Key vocabulary	Key Geographical Skills
<p style="text-align: center;">Sustainability and environmental concerns</p>		
<p>What impact have humans had on the destruction of the rainforest? What does these mean for the planet? What could be done to prevent it?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settlement • Physical feature • Man-made feature • Village • Map • Globe • Aerial photograph • Country • Continent • Trade • Transport • Climate • Mountains • Oceans • River • Deforestation • habitat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can ask questions about the basic physical and human features of a place. • I can ask how a place might have changed. • I can mark the different places I have studied on a map. • I can use basic geographical vocabulary to identify key physical features • I can identify how a place has changed over time • I can ask which physical and human features a particular locality has and begin to give reasons why these features are where they are.