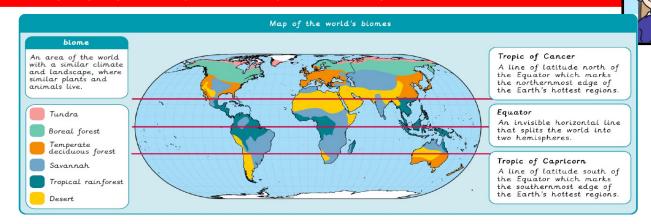
Scott Primary School - Year 3 Geography - Why are rainforests important to us?

Key Knowledge

- To describe and give examples of a biome and find the location and some features of the Amazon rainforest.
- To describe the characteristics of each layer of a tropical rainforest.
- To understand the lives of indigenous peoples living in the Amazon rainforest.
- To describe why tropical rainforests are important and understand the threats to the Amazon.
- To understand how local woodland is used
 - using a variety of data collection methods.
 - To analyse and present findings on how local woodland is used.

Key Skills

- Discussing climates and their impact on trade, land use and settlement.
- Describing and explaining how people who live in a contrasting physical area may have different lives to people in the UK.
- Mapping and labelling the six biomes on a world map.
- Locating some countries in Europe and North and South America using maps.
- Locating key physical features in countries studied including significant environmental regions.
- Locating some key human features in countries studied.



Layers of the rainforest emergent layer canopy layer understorey layer forest

Key Vocabulary

Emergent layer	The top layer of the rainforest with the tallest trees
Canopy layer	The layer of overlapping branches and leaves below the top layer, that gets sunlight, rain and wind.
Understorey layer	To warm and damp layer above the forest floor that gets little light.
Forest floor	The ground layer of the forest floor where the ground is dark, wet and hot.
Global warming	When our Earth's temperature rise because of greenhouse gases
mining	The process of digging up valuable minerals
logging	The cutting down of trees for their wood
deforestation	The cutting down of trees in a large area