

## TEST – TROPICAL RAINFOREST (KEY)

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1. How much of the world's landmass is covered with rainforest ? **7%**
2. Where can you find tropical rainforests ? **around the equator, South America, central Africa, southern India, Indonesia etc..**
3. Why are tropical rainforests so important for us. Give a few reasons ! **produce food and medicine, regulate the climate , provide energy, produce wood , give us fresh air**
4. The largest rainforest in the world is **the Amazon rainforest**
5. Describe the yearly temperatures in the rainforest. **temperatures stay the same the whole year round – about 20° to 30° C**
6. Describe the soils in the rainforest . **not very fertile; nutrients are washed out**
7. Name the four layers of vegetation in the rainforest ? **canopy, subcanopy, understory, flood**
8. Name a few plants of the rainforest : **ferns, orchids, lianas , palm tree, rubber tree**
9. Plants that climb around trees are called **lianas**
10. Latex comes out of the **rubber tree**
11. Why is the rainforest important for our climate ? **takes up rain, prevents floods and droughts**
12. What type of fish is a piranha. Where does it live ? **fish with sharp teeth; attacks other fish and humans ; Amazon river**
13. What are indigenous people ? **people who have always lived in the same place and have little contact with others**
14. When farmers grow crops on a piece of land for a short time and then move on to the next area, it is called **shifting cultivation**
15. Name reasons for deforestation : **need for wood, energy , raw materials (iron ore, gold, silver) , dams are built, farming land**