

PART 1

For children in Mondana village, the jungle is part of their everyday life.

Life in the Amazon rainforest is changing fast and these children, growing up in Ecuador, are directly affected.

Read their stories here.

Anna, 13

"I like to swim in the river and look for monkeys. I love monkeys - because they don't bite!"

Jefferson, 12

"I enjoy going fishing - for piranhas. Once I catch one, I have to pull the hook out very carefully because it can bite me. Then I take it home for dinner!"

"When I go to play in the forest, I climb the big trees with lots of branches with my brothers - we have to look out for snakes."

"My favourite animal is the jaguar. I saw a jaguar once. I was really scared. I was with my little brother and we were walking when a jaguar appeared out of nowhere. He was in a tree and he jumped down. The jaguar was as scared as I was. He was just a young one, and luckily it ran away."

A. Read the text and find a word that means:

1. Use the teeth to hurt or cut food _____
2. Parts of a tree that grow out from the trunk _____
3. A piece of metal for catching fish _____
4. Escaped _____