

**3** Complete the sentences using the words below.

- cattle
- agriculture
- rainwater
- life
- habitats
- oxygen
- soil
- deforestation

Clearing rainforest is called                   <sup>1</sup>. Many plant and animal                   <sup>2</sup> are destroyed when forest areas are cleared. But clearing rainforest threatens all                   <sup>3</sup> on Earth. The rainforest trees absorb carbon dioxide and give off                   <sup>4</sup>. The roots absorb                   <sup>5</sup> that falls every day. The roots also help to stabilise the                   <sup>6</sup> so mud slides don't happen.

In Brazil, large areas of rainforest are cleared for                   <sup>7</sup>, and most deforestation in the area is the result of                   <sup>8</sup> farming for beef and leather.