

English Year 5  
Week 4 (26th January 2022)

**Lesson Objectives:**

- Answer simple comprehension about recycling

**Step to Success:**

- Read text
- Identify keywords in questions
- Write answer in **COMPLETE SENTENCES**

**Why Rainforests Matter?**

Rainforests are important because they offer homes to trees, other plants, animals, and local people – but they also play a big role in keeping the Earth's climate and our weather as we know it. Over 80 countries in the tropics (where the sun is hottest) have rainforests.

1) Why are rainforests important?

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2) Where are rainforests?

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Plants and animals make up the rainforest. They are home to half the world's known plants and animals. There are 5 layers.

1. The emergent layer at treetop height.
2. The canopy layer where the leaves form a 'ceiling'.
3. The understorey layer that is dark and humid.
4. The shrub layer.
5. The forest floor.

3) What lives in the rainforests?

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4) What is the lowest part of the layer called?

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Rainforests give us crops and medicines, like rice and potatoes, nuts, spices, coffee and chocolate.

Rainforests stop flooding and provide rain. The trees soak up tropical rainfall and then slowly release the water into the air to form rainclouds. These clouds are then carried by the winds to other countries where they 'feed' the crops. The trees also remove carbon dioxide, a global warming gas. They store the carbon in their trunks and release the oxygen that we breathe.

5) What kind of crops can be found in the rainforests?

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6) How do rainforests give us oxygen?

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