What´s a rainforest?

It´s a steamy jungle that loves warm rain and sunshine. A thick layer of treetops hides a dark, shady forest floor.

Which trees grow here? Many, many amazing kinds, from smaller trees to tall, towering trees. Mango tree, Coffee tree, Cocao tree (for making chocolate), Brazil nut tree, Kapok tree.

Who lives in rainforests? Over half the world´s plants and animals! And also around a thousand different tribes of people.

Where is the forest floor? Way down below. Rainforests have four main layers....

Giant trees that stick out - The main canopy layer. Below the canopy. The forest floor.

How will you get to the ground? I won´t! The branches are my home and I´ll live my whole life up here, gliding from tree to tree. Most rainforest animals live in the top half of the trees and rarely come down.

Why do we need raingorests? Rainforests take in and store large amounts of the harmful CO2 gas that humans make. Thisl helps to slow down climate change but only if we let trees grow, and don´t chop them down.

Scientists think that lots more plants in the rainforest could be used to make medicines and save lives. We just need to find them, and look after them.

Rainforests are do rich in wildlife. And all living things have an important part to play in suporting life on Earth.