

Map of the countries of South America.

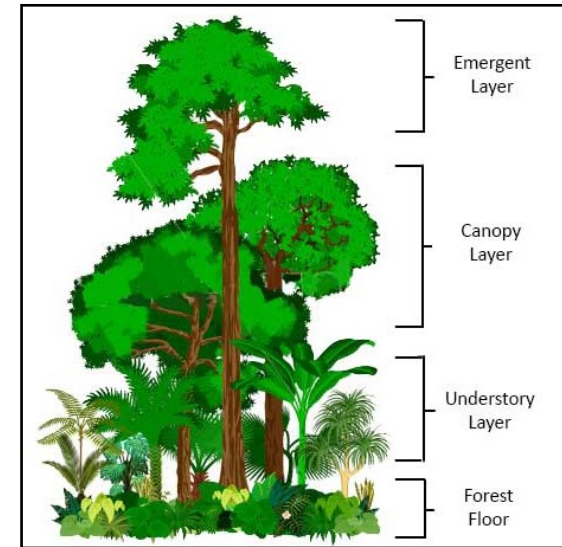


This is a vocabulary bank that shows key vocabulary that we will be sharing with your child over the next term. Our topic next term is “South America” and we will be taking an in-depth look at some of the countries with this fascinating continent. Alongside our topic, we will be reading the book ‘The Explorer’ by Katherine Rundell in our English sessions.

Please go through the words on this vocabulary bank with your child to help to familiarise them with the vocabulary. We will also share this with the children throughout the term and during our relevant lessons.

Thank you for your continued support.

Layers of the rainforest.



Science: Evolution and Inheritance

Fossils - the remains or impression of a prehistoric plant or animal embedded in rock and preserved.

Offspring - a person's child or children.

Adaptation - the process of change by which an organism or species becomes better suited to its environment.

Environment - the surroundings or conditions in which a person, animal, or plant lives or operates.

Evolution - the process by which different kinds of living things are believed to have developed from earlier forms over a long period of time.

Characteristics - a feature or quality belonging typically to a person, place, or thing.

Inheritance - a characteristic that is inherited from somebody else (relative.)

SOUTH AMERICA

Deforestation: what is the environmental impact of the destruction of the Amazon rainforest?

Deforestation: when trees are cut down across a wide area which is permanently cleared for another use.

Subsistence farming: when small-scale farmers cut down small parts of forest and burn it to improve the soil and make room for farming.

Commercial farming: companies who produce food on a large scale to make profit.

Biodiversity: the variety of plant and animal life in the world or a particular habitat.

Global warming a gradual increase in the temperature of the world's atmosphere.

Geography: South America, Climate and Biomes.

Climate: the weather conditions in an area in general, or over a long period.

Biome: large naturally occurring community of flora and fauna occupying a major habitat.

Longitude: the angular distance of a place east or west of the Greenwich meridian.

Latitude: the angular distance of a place north or south of the earth's equator.

Continent: One of the world's main areas of land.

Rainforest: a luxuriant, dense forest

Tropical: very hot and humid.

Temperate: an area with mild temperatures.