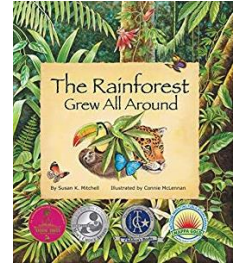




Amazing Amazon

The Amazon rainforest, covering much of north-western Brazil and extending into Colombia, Peru and other South American countries, is the world's largest tropical rainforest, famed for its biodiversity. It's crisscrossed by thousands of rivers, including the powerful Amazon.



Climate

In general, tropical rainforests have hot and humid climates where it rains virtually everyday. The level of rainfall depends on the time of year. Temperatures vary through the year - but much less than the rainfall.

Key Vocabulary	
Humidity	Humidity is the amount of water vapour present in air
Land Use	What the land is used for
Physical Characteristics	Features of the landscape that have occurred naturally
Human Characteristics	Features of the landscape that are man-made
Confluence	The meeting point of two or more rivers
Mouth	The part of the river where it flows into the ocean
Tributary	A stream flowing into a larger river or lake
Meander	A winding curve or bend of a river
Habitat	The natural home or environment of an animal, plant, or other organism
Topography	The arrangement of the land
Capacity	The amount of liquid
Biome	A large group of similar ecosystems
Water Cycle	A continuous movement of water on, above and below the surface of the Earth
Deforestation	The removal of trees from a forest

Important Countries
Peru
Colombia
Ecuador
Bolivia
Venezuela
Guyana
Suriname
Guiana



Toucan



Caiman



Amazon river dolphin



River dolphin



Black caiman



Golden lion tamarin



Capybara



Piranha



Green anaconda



Anaconda



Howler monkey



Jaguar



Poison dart frog



Sloth



Scarlet macaw



Spider monkey