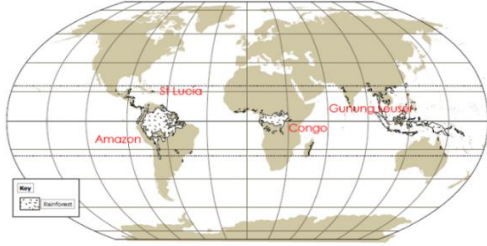

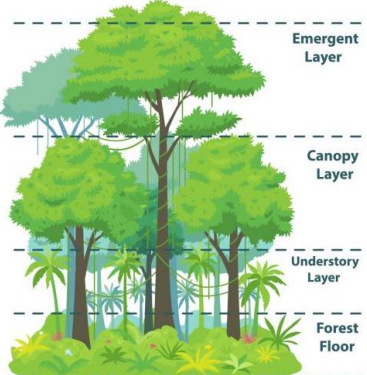




Why are rainforests so important?

Subject Vocabulary		What do I need to know?	Where?
Biodiversity	All the different kinds of life you'll find in one area—the variety of animals, plants, fungi, and even microorganisms like bacteria that make up our natural world.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tropical rainforests are found north and south of the Equator between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. Rainforests are home to over half the species of plants and animals in the world and are a fantastic source of foods and medicines. A rainforest has many layers of vegetation (plants) growing within it. All of these plants grow to different heights and create layers within the rainforest. 	 <p>Tropical rainforests are found closer to the equator.</p>  <p>The Amazon River</p> <p>RAINFOREST LAYERS</p> 
Biome	An areas of the planet with a similar climate and landscape, where similar animals and plants live.		
Canopy	A layer that is made up of the overlapping leaves and branches of the trees of the rainforest.		
Deforestation	When humans cut down or burn down large areas of forests to make space for farmland, plantations, or to use the trees as fuel.		
Longitude	Longitudes are vertical lines that measure east or west of the meridian in Greenwich, England		
Latitude	Latitudes are horizontal lines that measure distance north or south of the equator		
Ecosystem	An ecosystem is made up of all of the living and non-living things in an area.		
		Key facts	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Amazon Rainforest (South America) There are different layers of a rainforest. 	