

What it looked like last year:

- Using contents and indexes to locate countries around the world
- Understanding what a key is and what it is used for
- Drawing a simple map
- Following a simple map to locate things

What it looks like next year:

- Use Ordnance Survey maps
- Understand how physical features are represented on 2-dimensional maps through the use of contour lines.



Fun Facts about Rainforests

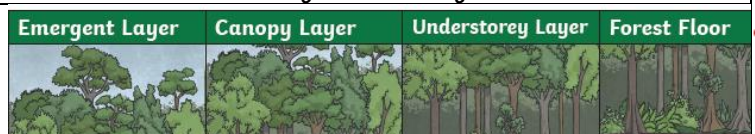
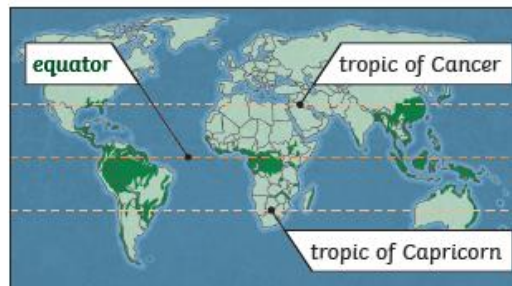
- About 30 million species of plants and animals live in the rain forest.
- The rain forests hold more than two-thirds of the world's plant species.
- Many of the foods we love come from the rain forest. ...

Key Vocabulary:

climate	The average weather conditions over a long period of time.
deforestation	The cutting down and clearing of forests.
equator	An imaginary circle running round the centre of the earth.
humid	Feeling very damp due to water vapour in the air.
species	A group of similar animals or plants
weather	The specific condition on given day.

Sequence of Learning

- Where are the rainforests? Which areas of the world?
- What is the rainforest climate? What effect does the equator have?
- What are the rainforest layers? What are the features of a rainforest?
- What life is in the rainforest? What animals and plants are found there?
- What makes the Amazon Rainforest special? How is it the same or different to a forest in the UK?
- How can we protect the rainforests? What effect do humans have on rainforests?



Where in the world?

Rainforests are found near to the equator between the tropic of Cancer and the tropic of Capricorn. They can be found in every continent except Antarctica. They are located in countries such as Brazil, India, Peru, Mexico, Australia and Malaysia.