CBS Knowledge Organiser

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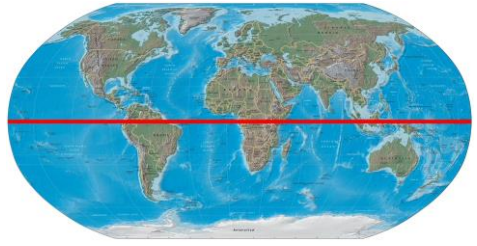
Geography - Rainforests

Can I compare Chesham Bois Woods to The Congo Rainforest?

What I already know

- Children have previously explored their local environment including Chesham Bois Woods.

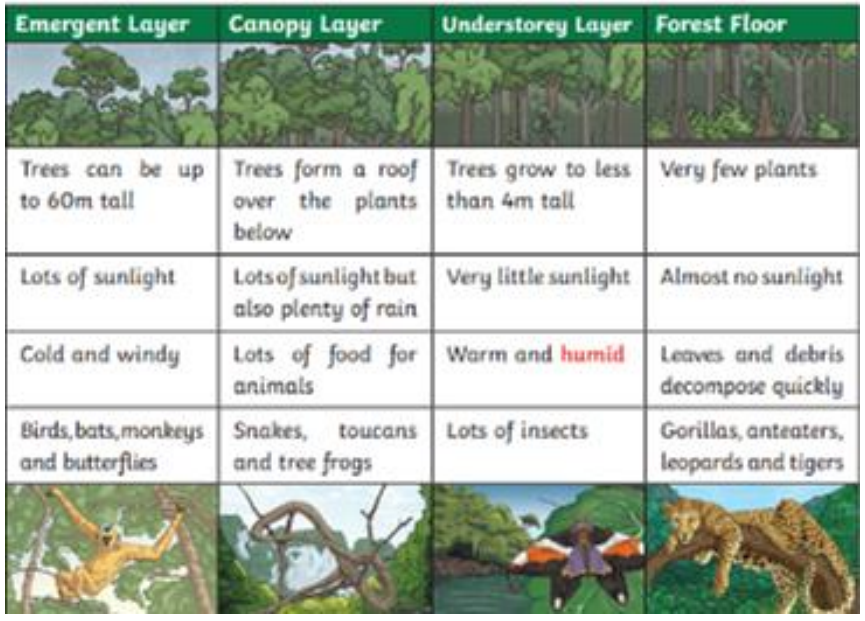






Overview of unit:

Children will begin by locating where tropical rainforests are on a world map. They will then go onto explore seasonal weather changes and weather patterns in the UK compared to a specific rainforest - The Congo Rainforest. Children will learn about the different layers of the rainforest, the terrain and what grows there. They will also learn about the tourist experiences available in the Congo Rainforest. At the end of the unit, children will use all of the knowledge that they have learnt to compare Chesham Bois Woods to The Congo Rainforest.



Key Vocab

Word	Definition
Tropical Rainforest	Forests that occur in areas of tropical climate in which there is no dry season.
Equator	An invisible line around the middle of the earth.
Emergent player	The tallest layer of the rainforest.
Canopy	The thickest layer of the rainforest and home to many species of birds and animals.
Understorey	The layer in which there are shorter trees and lots of shrubs and bushes.
Forest floor	The lowest level of the rainforest.
Habitat	A place where animals and/or plants live.
Weather	A description of what the conditions are like in a particular place.
Climate	The average weather condition for a particular place.

New Knowledge/Facts

- Rainforests are located around the equator around the centre of the Earth.
- 30 million different species of animals live in the Rainforest.
- Many things we use every day come from the rainforest including: chocolate, sugar, rubber, bamboo and many medicines.
- The rainforest is home to more than two thirds of the world's plant species.
- It can take ten minutes for a falling raindrop to travel from a rainforests' thick canopy to the floor.