

RAINFORESTS - Knowledge organiser

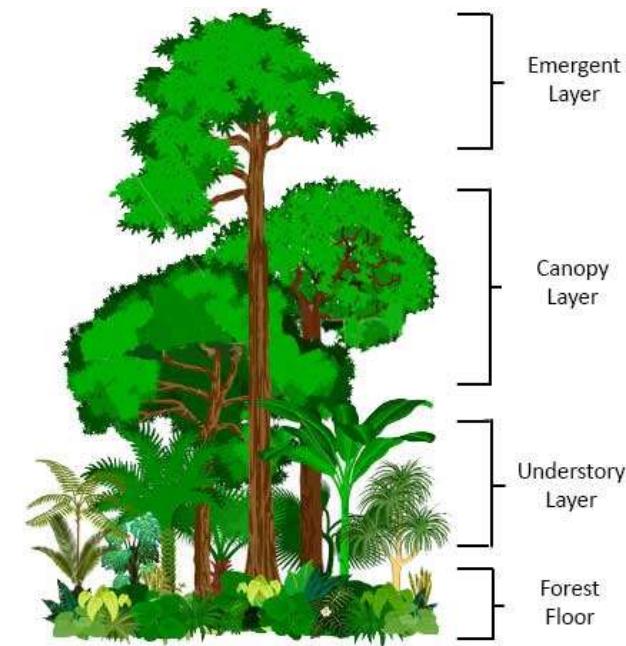
Where are the rainforests?



Rainforests are usually found close to the **Equator**. It is very warm and there is lots of rainfall.

The biggest rainforest in the world is the Amazon rainforest in South America.

Layers of the rainforest



Emergent Layer

The emergent layer is the name given to the very top layer of the trees. You can find some small animals living there like bats and butterflies.



Canopy

The canopy is a thick layer of leaves and trees. Lots of animals live here like toucans, howler monkeys and red-eyed tree frogs.



Understory

The understory level is very hot and damp here, and the air very still. Snakes, lizards and sloths live here.



Forest Floor

The forest floor is very hot and damp. Most of the largest animals of the rainforest live here like jaguars, caimans and tapirs.