



Somerset Bridge Primary School
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Geography

Autumn Term: Year 4

Place Knowledge



Brazil, South America



The Amazon Rainforest is the largest rainforest in the world and is located mainly in Brazil, South America.

Weather is the daily pattern of rainfall and temperature, whereas the climate is the long-term patterns of weather features.

The Amazon Rainforest spreads across several other South American countries, such as Ecuador, Peru and Columbia.

Rio de Janeiro is famous for: Copacabana Beach, Christ the Redeemer Statue and Tabletop Mountain.

The Amazon Rainforest is being destroyed to make way for farming (including cattle ranching and palm oil plantations), for mining (copper, iron ore and gold) and for new roads.

Comparing the Amazon Rainforest and Rio de Janeiro



Amazon Rainforest and Rio de Janeiro

Brazil

South America

World

Key Vocabulary



Rainforest	A dense forest, rich in biodiversity, usually found in tropical areas.
Equator	The imaginary line around the middle of the globe.
Shrubs	Woody plants that are smaller than a tree.
Understorey	A layer of shrubs beneath the main canopy in a rainforest.
Canopy	The highest layer of trees in a rainforest.
Emergent	A really tall tree that sticks out above the main canopy in a rainforest.
Natural resources	A material found in nature that can be used by people.
Minerals	A natural substance such as iron, zinc and copper.
Deforestation	When rainforests are destroyed by people.

