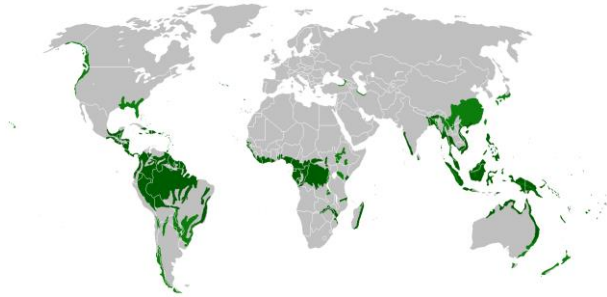
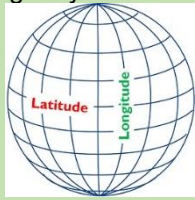


Map:Key facts:

1. Rainforests cover about 6% of the Earth's land surface.
2. It can take ten minutes for a falling raindrop to travel from a rainforest's thick canopy to the floor.
3. A tree known as the idiot fruit grows in Australia's Daintree rainforest.
4. The rhinoceros hornbill bird from southeast Asian rainforests has a hornlike structure on its head that looks like an extra beak!
5. Rainforests get at least 250cm of rain a year. Sometimes it's almost double that at 450cm.
7. The Amazon Rainforest in South America is so big that if it were a country, it would be the ninth biggest in the world.

Rainforests

Key vocabulary:

Rainforest	A term for a forest of broad- leaved trees that receives a high level of rainfall
Equator	An imaginary circle around the Earth. It divides the Earth into two equal parts
Northern Hemisphere	Half of the earth that is north of the equator. Home to 90% of the planet there is more pollution, more land and is the smaller half.
Southern Hemisphere	Other half of the earth that is south of equator. Home to more water, fewer people and is the slightly bigger half.
Lines of longitude and latitude	A system of imaginary lines used to describe the location of any place on Earth. 
Tropic of Cancer and Capricorn	Two important lines of latitude. Between these lines is an area called "The Tropics."
Tropical Rainforest	Rainforests located in the tropics close the equator
Climate	Average measurements of a countries rainfall, temperature, wind, humidity and snow

Location:

Tropical rainforests are located near the Earth's equator, within the warm zone between the Tropic of Cancer (23.5° N) and the Tropic of Capricorn (23.5° S).

Climate:

Tropical rainforests have a hot, wet climate zone. They have high year-round temperatures and heavy, frequent rainfall. Their temperature can be between 21 and 30 degrees.

Layers of the rainforest: