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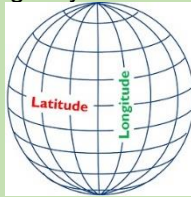
Key facts:

1. The Amazon is the world's largest rainforest.
2. It is found in South America and over half of it is in Brazil, but it also spans over 8 other countries.
3. Through the Amazon is the Amazon River which is the world's second longest river.
4. The Amazon is home to many different animals and over 2.5 million different insects!
5. Because of the huge number of trees in the Amazon, 20% of the world's oxygen comes from the Amazon Rainforest.
6. There are thought to be around 50 different tribes living in the Amazon Rainforest who have had no contact with the outside world.
7. Due to deforestation, rainforests the size of football pitches are cut down every minute.

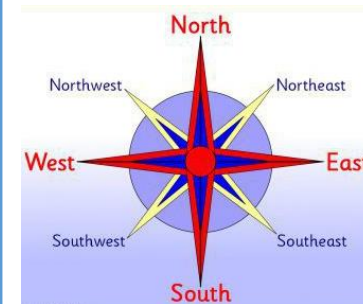
The Amazon Rainforest



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
Deforestation	The clearing or cutting down of forests and rainforests

Compass directions:



Layers of the rainforest:

