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Endangered Species Pack

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The choices you make can help and protect our amazing rainforests and animals!

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- Learn about Rainforest Trust.
- Know what endangered means.
- Find out cool facts about rainforest animals.
- Understand how to help endangered animals.

Starter Questions

- What does **endangered** mean?
- Do you know any plants, animals or insects that are endangered?
- What does **extinct** mean?

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• Can you stop something becoming extinct?



What is an Endangered Species?

A species can be anything from an insect, an animal or a plant!

Scientists study species to find out as much as possible.

Sometimes they find that a species might need help or protection.

If a species needs help, scientists will ask lots of questions about that species:



The species are put into groups:

	Least Concern	There are lots of these on the planet.	
	Near Threatened	May become endangered in the future.	0
	Vulnerable	Likely to become endangered unless something changes.	
	Endangered	At risk of disappearing forever!	F/
	Critically Endangered	Very likely to disappear forever!	
	Extinct	No longer on the planet.	X
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How does a species become endangered?

Habitat Loss

This is the biggest risk to species. Forests, lakes and many other habitats disappear because of humans.

Humans clear them to make houses, roads and farms. People also cut down trees because they want to sell the wood.

Climate Change

- The weather around the world is changing.
- The world is getting hotter every year.
- This is because of climate change, which affects habitats.



Hunting

Animals are hunted for lots of reasons, one being they can damage crops. People also catch wild animals for food.



Endangered Species

Endangered animals are found all over the world.

Vulnerable

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Giant Anteater

They have very long tongues to eat ants and termites. They can flick their tongues up to 150 times per minute!



Critically Endangered

Woolly Spider Monkey

Spider monkeys use their long tails to hang from trees. As they hold on they look like spiders!



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Near Threatened

Jaguar

Jaguars are the biggest cats in South America. Unlike your pet cat, they love to swim! They have very strong teeth that can bite through a crocodile's skull!



Endangered

Giant Otter

This is the largest otter in the world. They are born in dens, which are holes dug into river banks. They start swimming when they are about two months old.

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Vulnerable

Lowland Tapir

It's very good at swimming and uses its trunk as a snorkel!

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Critically Endangered

Bornean Orangutan

They sleep in nests they build in the trees, and they build a new nest every day!



Vulnerable

Giant Armadillo

They are nocturnal, which means they move around at night and sleep in the day. They use their big claws to dig burrows and can sleep for 16 hours a day!



Endangered Animal Quiz

Can you remember all the animal facts? Test your knowledge with this fun quiz!





The Woolly Spider Monkey is named after spiders because it eats them.

True or False?

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Woolly Spider Monkeys look like spiders when they are hanging in trees!

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Lowland Tapir are very good at climbing!

True or False?





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Lowland Tapirs are very good at swimming!

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Jaguars are the biggest cats in South America.

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True or False?



Jaguars are the biggest cats in South America, and the third biggest cat in the world, after Lions and Tigers!

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Giant Otters can swim as soon as they are born!

True or False?











Giant Otters start swimming when they are two months old!





Giant Armadillos hunt for food in the daytime.

True or False?







They are nocturnal, so they hunt for food at night.



Anteaters have giant tongues.

True or False?





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Anteaters have very long tongues to eat ants and termites.





Bornean Orangutans sleep on the ground. **True or False?**



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Rainforest Trust

Rainforest Trust is an international charity that protects rainforests and endangered animals.

Rainforest Trust protects habitats like tropical rainforests where

Woolly Spider Monkeys, Giant Anteaters, Jaguars and Giant Otters live.

Rainforest Trust's protected areas give endangered animals a safe place to live,

and stop people cutting down the trees or building roads in the forests.



Help Save Forests and Animals with Rainforest Trust!

You can help protect rainforests and endangered animals in lots of ways.

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Fundraise

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Have a cake sale or dress like rainforest animals for the day! A school fundraising event could help save acres of rainforest! Grow plants from seed and sell them, or hug a hundred trees!

Organise a sponsored event

Ask your teacher to organise a sponsored walk or run. Hold the event at your school and ask everyone involved to raise money to protect rainforests!

Help save forests and animals and earn an Earth Cubs certificate!

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Awarded to

You have helped save forests and animals!



Animal Fact

Choose one of the endangered animals. What can you remember about them?



Draw the animal	Describe what it looks likel	
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	What else do you know about the	2m?
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Animal Sock Puppet



Get creative and create a rainforest snake puppet! What will your snake say?





Felt Scissors A Peg OO Googly eyes

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Choose an old sock that is brightly coloured or patterned.

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Carefully cut out a tongue from a piece of felt. Use glue to stick the tongue at the end of the sock. Secure with a peg until dry.

Add eyes and your snake is ready!

Go outside and make more rainforest creatures. Make up a play!





Outside Rainforest Habitats

Create an outside rainforest habitat! Wear your rainforest animals character masks to pretend to be the animals.

- What natural materials can you use to make your rainforest?
- What can you use to make trees?

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Where will the rainforest animals drink?

Can you use playdough or LEGO to help build the habitat?

Use wooden sticks and recycled paper to make trees!

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Outside activity

Table Top Rainforest

Help the animals explore this amazing rainforest.





Gather the resources you need and get ready to build!



Plan what your rainforest will look like!



Use real plants to create a forest. Blue material and stones will make a fantastic waterfall!



Inside activity

Add toy animals and wooden blocks to complete your table top rainforest!

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Awesome!

You have learned about endangered species and how Rainforest Trust helps animals.

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Antonio the Anteater

Colour and cut-out mask 😽













Colour and cut-out mask 😽



