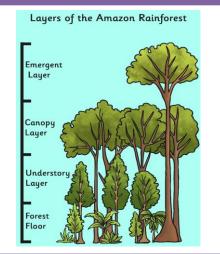


## In Autumn Term 2, Year 4 are learning about

# The Americas – What is the use of having totem poles?

#### Layers of The Rainforest



#### The Layers

- Emergent Layer It's sunny here because it's the highest point. Only the tallest trees reach this level. You will find butterflies, bats, insects, monkeys and many birds here
- Canopy Layer Most trees of the forest grow to this height. Certain plants grow at this level but their roots do not reach the ground. These are called air plants.
  You will find toucans, snakes, orang-utans, sloths, parrots, lizards and many insects here.
- Understory Layer Vegetation and vines can be found here and it is very dark. You will find bugs, jaguars, poison dart frogs and kinkajous
- **Forest Floor-** A damp and dark part of the forest. Look out for tapirs and wild boar
- ♥ In the water Beware electric eels, anacondas and piranhas in the water!

### Map of The Amazon Rainforest



#### **The Amazon Rainforest**

- Rainforests are warm and wet areas.
- The Amazon Rainforest is the largest tropical rainforest in the world with more than half located in Brazil.
- There are approximately 10 million species of animals, plants and insects known to man and more than half of them call the rainforest home.Tribes of people still live in some areas of the rainforest with no contact with the outside world.
- 20% of the world's bird species live here such as toucans, hummingbirds and the hoatzin.

### The Amazon River



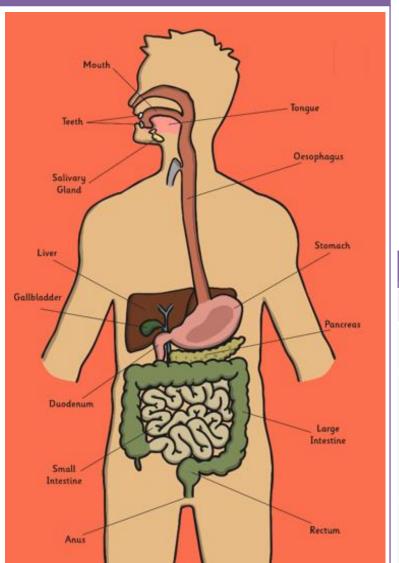
- The river is approximately 4,000 miles long, mostly flowing through rainforest.
- It has around 200 tributaries
- It begins in the Andes Mountains and is the second longest river in the world.
- Piranhas, anacondas and thousands of species of fish can be found here.
- No bridges cross the river at any point.



The Digestive System

# The Americas

### Digestive System Functions



Saliva- a liquid that makes food moist and begins to break it down into smaller
pieces

Tongue- used for tasting, licking and swallowing.

Oesophagus- links the mouth to the stomach.

Stomach- where digestion of food occurs.

Small Intestine- where nutrients are absorbed into the blood

Large Intestine - where water and vitamins are reabsorbed.

Rectum - the final part of the large intestine.

Anus - where solid waste leaves the body.

Teeth			
Molar	Canine	Incisor	Premolar
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Humans have 8 molars, two in each quarter of the mouth. They are at the back of the mouth behind the premolars	Humans have 4 canine teeth, one in each quarter of the mouth, on either side of the incisors.	Humans have 8 incisors altogether; 4 in the upper jaw and 4 in the lower jaw.	Humans have 8 premolars, two in each quarter of the mouth. They are between the canine tooth and the molars
Grinding food.	Used for tearing and ripping food.	Used for biting and cutting food.	Holding and crushing food.