

Millbrook Primary School Unit Plan



Year Five: Geography										
Enquiry Question:										
What is the Amazon Rainforest so important and what can we do to save it?										
National Curriculum Objectives	'Sticky Six' Knowledge & Skills	'Big Six' Vocabulary								
Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts	Know what a biome is and why they are where they are Know what a climate zone is and how they are linked to biomes	biome	climate zone	region						
2. Locate North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities 3. Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom and a region in North or South America	3. Locate North and South America, their countries and capital cities 4. Know the difference between human and physical geography 5. Know the human and physical features of North and South America 6. Explain the key similarities and differences between our home	human	physical	characteristics						
Prior Learning	village and a village in the Amazon Rainforest Key Questions	Future Learning								
Year 3: Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including: volcanoes and earthquakes Year 4: Use 6-figure grid references, symbols and key to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world Use globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe key features studied	What are biomes and climate zones? How are they similar? Where is North America? What countries are in North America? What is the climate here? Why is the climate like this here? Why might South America have different biomes? What can we tell about physical geography of North America from these physical landmarks? How has your view of North and South America changed since the start of term? Who would be happier? A ten year-old in Grove or a ten year-old in Chino?	 Year 6: Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region in North or South America Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle 								
Key Texts	Assessment Opportunities	Unit Outcome								
Piscover & Learn North & South America The Study Book HORRIBLE (EOGRAPHY SLOUISING CAMERICAN MAR DRILES	Lesson: 1. Maps of biomes 2. Maps of climate zones – oral explanation of how they are linked to biomes 3. Physical map of South America showing physical characteristics 6. Oral presentations between classes of how North and South America compare 8. Explanation of rainforest composition 12. Written comparison between Grove and El Chino	At the beginning of the unit, we created our 'rainforests in a jar to represent a tropical rainforest biome. At the end of the unit, once we have learned of the importance of rainforests to the world, we will sell our rainforests. The money raised will go towards planting an area of trees the size o Millbrook's grounds in the Amazon Rainforest.								

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Learning	Planting	How is our	How are	What are the	What are	What are the	How to	Where are	What are	Why is the	What can	What is life	How is life
	our biomes	world	biomes	environmental	the	human and	North and	the world's	rainforests	Amazon so	we learn	like in El	in Grove
Sequence		made up?	linked to	regions of North	countries &	physical	South	rainforests?	like?	important	about El	Chino (an	similar and
•			climate	and South	major cities	characteristics	America			to us and	Chino (an	Amazon	different to
			zones?	America?	of North	of North	compare?			what can	Amazon	village)?	life in El
					and South	America?				we do to	Village)?		Chino?
					America?					save it?			