## Knowledge Organiser

# Geography Year 4 Rainforests

## What I should already know:

- I have studies South America and looked at countries in Africa.
- I can locate the northern and southern hemispheres; I can locate the equator
- I know that there are different climate zones in the world.
- I can tell you what a desert is.

### What I should know by the end of this topic:

- Tropical rainforests are found north and south of the Equator between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.
- Rainforests are home to over half the species of plants and animals in the world and are a fantastic source of foods and medicines.
- A rainforest has many layers of vegetation (plants) growing within it. All of these plants grow to different heights and create layers within the rainforest.

#### Skills and key knowledge:

- What a rainforest is.
- The different layers of a rainforest.
- The features of a rainforest.
- The characteristics of the Congo.
- The impact of deforestation.

#### The world's rainforests: The Amazon L (South America), ong Amazo 2. The Congo (Africa), 3. The Gunung Key Leuser (Asia). 1-2-7 Ra 4. St Lucia (North America)

# Key Vocabulary

**biodiversity**: the number of different types of plants and animals found in a particular environment **biome**: a community of plants and animals that is suited to a particular climate **ecosystem**: a community of plants and animals that affect each other and the area around them **rainforests**: forests that are home to many different types of plants and animals. They are located close to the Equator in places with a tropical climate, which is warm and wet all year round. **Place names:** 





