

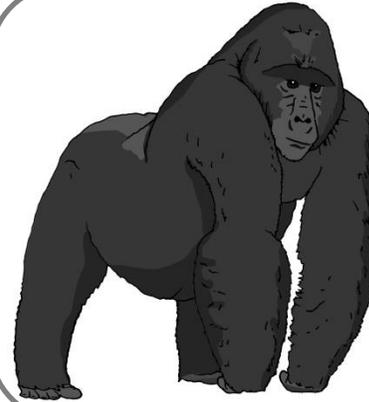
## Rainforest Creatures

Rainforests are also called jungles. The weather is very hot. It rains nearly every day so it is also very wet. More creatures live in the rainforest than anywhere else on Earth. Many animals live up in the trees. Some never come down!



This is a tiger. It is the biggest animal in the cat family. The tiger's orange fur with black stripes helps it to blend with its surroundings. Each tiger has its own pattern of stripes.

Tigers live in Asia, some in cold places and many in the jungle. It eats meat. It hunts and kills smaller animals like deer, antelopes and wild pigs.



This is a gorilla. It is the largest ape. It lives only in Central Africa near the Equator. It is covered by thick black or brown hair. It mainly eats plants and really likes young juicy shoots of grass. It sometimes eats worms, ants or other insects. Gorillas do not drink water as they get all the liquid they need from the plants they eat. It spends a lot of time sleeping!



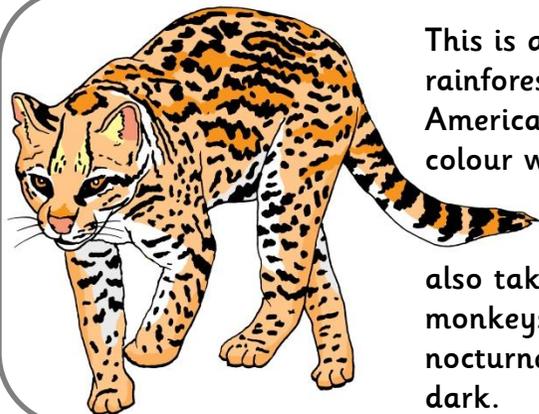
This is a giant anteater. It lives in South America. It eats ants and termites. It uses a really

long tongue to eat and can eat up to 30,000 ants a day! It has coarse hair which is grey or brown and a long bushy tail. If it finds ripe fruit on the floor, it may also eat that.



This is a toucan. It is covered in black and white feathers and has a very big bright orange or green beak which is mainly used to pick and peel fruit. It also eats some insects, frogs

and reptiles. It lives in the treetops of South America. However, it does not fly well and often hops between trees. It can only fly short distances.



This is an ocelot. It lives in the rainforests of Central and South America. Its fur is reddish brown in colour with black spots and rosettes. It eats small mammals, fish and frogs. It also takes to the trees to catch monkeys and birds. The ocelot is nocturnal, only active once it gets dark.



This is a hummingbird. It is a tiny, colourful bird which lives throughout North , Central and South America but mainly in the tropics. It drinks nectar from flowers using its long beak. Its wings have to flap very fast so that it can hover to feed. Occasionally it will eat small insects.

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giant anteater							
toucan							
ocelot							
hummingbird							

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hummingbird	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	

Why has the writer put the information in boxes? (AF4) **To make it easier to read.**

What does the anteater use to help it eat? (AF2) **It uses its long tongue.**

Do you think all birds pick and peel fruit in the same way that a toucan does? (AF3) **No some birds eat fish, seeds, insects etc.**

Why do you think that the ocelot has a spotted coat? (AF3) **It acts as camouflage, in the same way as a tiger's coat.**

Why is a table like that above a good way to present information? (AF4) **Easy to find information.**