Caroline Haslett Primary School - Geography		
Summer Term	Year 5	Forest Comparison Study

Prior Knowledge

Natural resources are things found in nature that we find useful.

South America is a continent.

Biomes are regions that have similar climates, plants and animals. Tropical rainforest is a biome.

Renewable and non-renewable natural resources are things found in nature that we find useful.

Economic activities provide people with jobs where they earn money.

New Knowledge

Tropical rainforests have 4 layers

- Emergent
- Canopy
- Understory
- Forest Floor

The Amazon rainforest is located in South America and covers 5.5 million square kilometres of land across 9 countries.

Sherwood forest is in Nottinghamshire, in the United Kingdom. It covers around 4 square kilometres.

Activities

Identify physical geographical features of the Amazon Rainforest (including layers of the rainforest).

Identify human geographical features of the Amazon Rainforest, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, the distribution of natural resources and deforestation.

Compare human and physical features of the Amazon Rainforest and Sherwood Forest.

Vocabulary

Climate - what the weather is like and what it has been like for many years.

Deforestation - the action of clearing a wide area of trees.

Differences - things that are not the same.

Location - where something is.

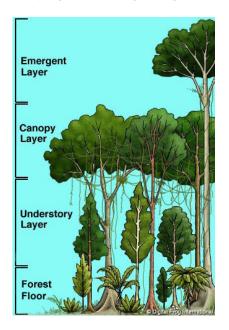
Population – all of the people who live in a particular place.

Settlement - a place where people live.

Similarities - things that are the same.

Sustainability - avoidance of the depletion of natural resources.

Trade - buying and selling things.



Skills and National Curriculum Objectives

Describe and understand key aspects of:

- physical geography, including biomes and vegetation belts.
- human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.

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 within North or South America.

Location Knowledge	Name and locate South America and the Amazon rainforest and its identifying human and physical characteristics and land use patterns. Understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.
Place knowledge	Understand geographical similarities and differences through a study of human and physical geography of Sherwood Forest and the Amazon rainforest.
Human and physical geography	Describe and understand key aspects of the physical and human geography of biomes and vegetation belts.
Geographical skills and fieldwork	Use maps/atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate the areas and features studied.