

Rainforest homelearning key words

Word	Meaning
Palm oil	A vegetable oil you get from palm trees.
Production	Making something
Consumption	Using something up
Cultivation	Growing crops/plants
Hectare	A measure of land area. 1 ha is the size of a football pitch
Commercial farming	Growing crops on a large scale to make as much money as possible
Latitude	Imaginary lines which run in rings around the world which tell you how far north or south of the equator you are.
Equator	0° Latitude, an imaginary line running around the world half way between the North & South poles.
LIC	Low Income Country like Afghanistan
HIC	High Income Country like UK
NEE	Newly Emerging Economy like China
Temperature range	Difference between the highest & lowest temperatures in a year. Maximum-minimum
Convictional rainfall	Rainfall caused by the heat from the sun causing water vapour to rise, cool, condense, form clouds & then rain.
Humid	A hot & wet climate like in Indonesia
Monoculture	When farmers only grow one crop of all their fields
Logging	The name given to cutting trees down for wood or timber.
Biodiversity	The number of different plant and animal species that live in an area.
Soil erosion	When the soil is washed away by heavy rainfall
Climate change	The warming of our climate caused by the Greenhouse Effect which is when there is too much carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
deforestation	Chopping down trees.
Penan	A tribe who live in the rainforest on Borneo.
Indigenous	People who have always lived in an area, natives.
Subsistence farming	Growing enough food for you and your family
Borneo	The third largest island in the world. Found in Asia. Split between Indonesia & Malaysia
Sustainability	Treating the environment in such a way that we do not cause any permanent damage.
Debt relief	Letting poor countries off the money they borrowed from rich countries.
Selective logging	Only cutting down some trees not all of them.
Ecotourism	Tourism which does not damage the environment or harm people
International Agreements	Global agreements between countries like the 2015 Paris Climate agreement to try to reduce climate change.
Conservation	Looking after things so they are not damaged.

