

# Rainforest Resources

During your visit to the Living rainforest you will learn all about how people from all over the world use rainforests. You will learn all about all the resources the rainforest has to offer. A resource is something to which human beings assign value due to its usefulness. Many of the resources of the rainforest can be found nowhere else in the world.

Name three different resources from the rainforest?

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....



Can you think of a resource from the rainforest that you use at home?

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Name a resource you learned about on your tour that is used by one of the indigenous people of the Rainforest?

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Why might this resource be important to the indigenous people of the rainforest?

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Which resource that you learnt about on the tour do you feel is the most important and why?

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## Farming in the Amazon

Food is a vital resource to all humans and animals. As the world's population increases, so does the demand for food. Those who live in and around the Amazon rainforest try to meet this demand by farming in the rainforest.

Agriculture is one of the many reasons for deforestation in the Amazon. Which species of bird, found at The Living Rainforest has been severely affected by farming?

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Can you fill in the gaps on the rest of this pie chart showing the causes of deforestation in the Amazon? Pick from the list below.

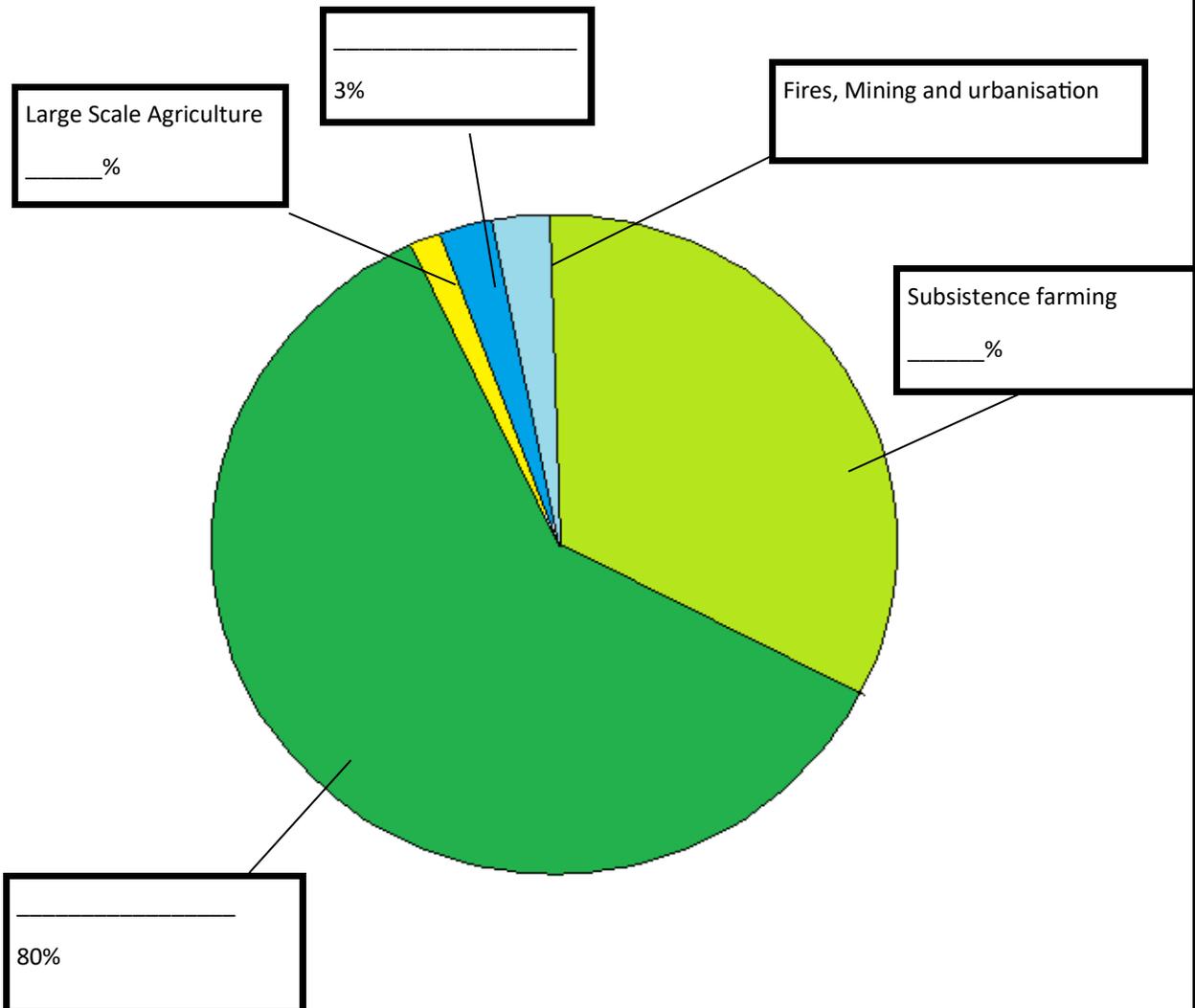
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Cattle Farming

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Logging

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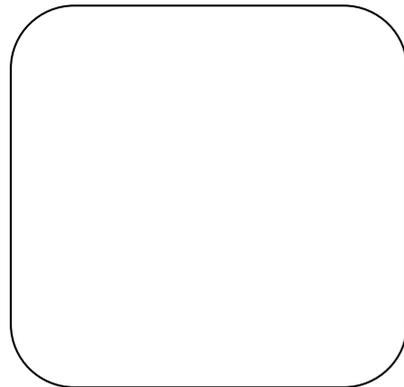
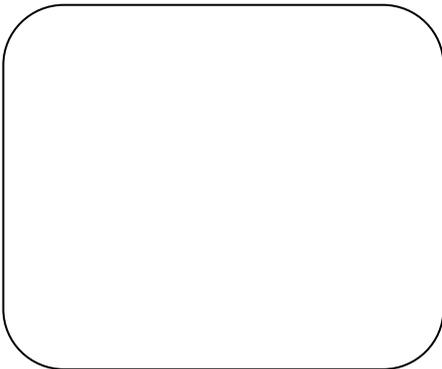
## Rainforest medicine

Over a quarter of the medicines we use come from plants, with many of these plants coming from the rainforest. However, less than 5% of plants known to exist in the rainforest have been tested for medicinal properties. Many of the plants now used in western medicine were discovered by watching the practise of indigenous people. Many pants we use to make medicine are also used in traditional medicine .

Name two medicinal plants that are used in medicine that you saw at The Living Rainforest.

1. ....
2. ....

Now draw label both plants



In not just plants that are used in medicine. Fit the words in the box below into the following paragraph to find out how snakes are being used in medicine.

Paraguay	Viper	Pattern	Venom	Blood
Pressure	Scientist	Chemical	Billion	High

In Argentina, Brazil and P..... is the habitat of the Bothrops jaraca v..... Also called the Fer-De-Lance because of it p..... The v..... from this viper causing its victims to collapse due to a massive drop in b..... p..... Using the venom s..... have found the c..... that causes the drop in pressure. They used this to a new medicine that will help one b..... people worldwide how have h..... blood pressure

## Foods From the Rainforest

At least 80% of the food we eat originates from the rainforests of the world. Fruits like avocado, coconuts, oranges, lemons, bananas, pineapples, mangoes and tomatoes can all be found in the world's rainforests, along with vegetables such as sweetcorn and also nuts such as brazil, cashew and macadamia. Also many spices such as vanilla, ginger and cinnamon and many of these food are now grown on plantations.

Can you name one food you eat that comes from the rainforest?

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Draw a line from each of the foods to the country where they are most commonly grown.

