



# Web Quest



## ~South America~ Amazon Basin Rainforest



A Web Quest for 4 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Social Studies and Science

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# Introduction:

## Congratulations!

You have been selected to join a team of (4) four scientist to explore and study South America's Amazon Rainforest.

In this exploration of the unusual you will be surprised at what you'll see and learn from this world.

So get ready to seek the unusual and to travel to the deep wilds of South America and be completely AMAZED!!





# The Task:

Team 1

Team 2

Team 3

Team 4

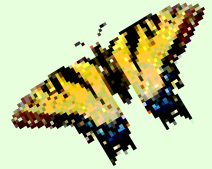
You have been chosen to be part of a scientific exploration team exploring the Amazon Rainforest of South America.

There will be four (4) different exploratory teams consisting of four (4) members each. These teams will be completing the following set of tasks and presenting their findings to the other exploratory teams. You will have (2) weeks to complete your task.





# The Process:



1. First you will draw a number assigning you to a specific team. Then your team will receive a folder explaining the various assigned jobs and roles to choose.
2. Once you've picked a role to play in the exploration team, all team members will define the meaning of their assigned roles and define vocabulary words from the dictionary, posting it on the class blog (<http://mrsseymour.wordpress.com/>)
3. (Explorer- Geographer- Meteorologist- Zoologist)
4. Use the hyperlinks on the team task page and the list of Resources to help you locate information about your topic.
5. Review and complete all the tasks that are assigned to your team on the web quest using all assigned resources and the power point website provided.
6. When you have completed your part of the project, you will present your findings to the other team members, then as a team make an art project (poster, diorama, clay art) and to organize your information for the team presentation.
7. Together you will design a 10 question quiz on your topic for the other investigating teams to review and answer (short answer-true/false-multiple choice)
8. Finally you and your team (all members must be present) will present your report in a power point presentation ([www.zohowriter.com](http://www.zohowriter.com)) explaining all your findings.



# Team #1:

[www.zohowriter.com](http://www.zohowriter.com)

<http://mrsseymour.wordpress.com/>



- Journey to South America and identify the rainforest on an outline map in folder and label the surrounding waters, countries, rainforest and any import facts.
- Discover and study (4) species of animal or reptile that is not endangered or unusual found in the Amazon Basin Rainforest.
- Describe briefly on 1 slide all the job descriptions, 1 slide describe the weather, 1 slide each (4) individual animals, describing their habitat, diet, and any other interesting information. 1 slide people of South America's Amazon Rainforest.
- Make either a collage, a poster, a diorama, or a clay design with your animals, habitat (trees, shrubs and waterways) of the rainforest representing the information you have learned.
- Make your own 10 question quiz about South America and its animals for the other investigating teams to answer (short answer-true/false-multiple choice).





# Team #2:

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- Journey to South America and identify the rainforest on an outline map in folder and label the surrounding waters, countries, rainforest and any import facts.
- Discover and study (4) endangered species of animal found only in the Amazon Basin Rainforest.
- Describe briefly on 1 slide all the job descriptions, 1 slide describe the weather, 1 slide each (4) endangered species of animals, describing their habitat, diet, why they are endangered and any other interesting information you would like to include. 1 slide of the people of South America's Amazon Rainforest.
- Make either a collage, a poster, a diorama, or a clay design with your animals, habitat (trees, shrubs and waterways) of the rainforest representing the information you have learned.
- Make your own 10 question quiz about South America and it's endangered species for the other investigating teams to answer (short answer-true/false-multiple choice).





# Team #3:

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- Journey to South America and identify the rainforest on an outline map in folder and label the surrounding waters, countries, rainforest and any import facts.
- Discover and study (4) unusual species of animal found only in the Amazon Basin Rainforest.
- Describe briefly on 1 slide all the job descriptions, 1 slide describe the weather, 1 slide (4) unusual species describing their habitat, diet, why your team thinks they are unusual compared to other species and any other interesting information you would like to include. 1 slide of the people of South America's Amazon Rainforest.
- Make either a collage, a poster, a diorama, or a clay design with your animals, habitat (trees, shrubs and waterways) of the rainforest representing the information you have learned.
- Make your own 10 question quiz about South America's unusual species for the other investigating teams to answer (short answer-true/false-multiple choice).





# Team #4:

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- Journey to South America and identify the rainforest on an outline map in folder and label the surrounding waters, countries, rainforest and any import facts.
- Discover and study (1) reptile, (1) monkey, (1) big cat, and (1) bird found only in the Amazon Basin Rainforest.
- Describe briefly on 1 slide all the job descriptions, 1 slide describe the weather, 1 slide each a reptile, a monkey, a big cat, and a bird describe their habitat, diet, if there is a possible effect on each other and any other interesting information you would like to include. 1 slide of the people of South America's Amazon Rainforest.
- Make either a collage, a poster, a diorama, or a clay design with your animals, habitat (trees, shrubs and waterways) of the rainforest representing the information you have learned
- Make your own 10 question quiz about South America's and your animal species for the other investigating teams to answer (short answer-true/false-multiple choice).





# Resources:

- Classroom set of reference book/Webster's Dictionary
- Reference materials in Media Center
- World globe and maps
- Video tapes (nature and wild life – South America)
- Classroom staff (teacher-aide-librarian)
- Hyperlink Resources :



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[www.rainforestweb.org](http://www.rainforestweb.org)



[www.christiananswers.net](http://www.christiananswers.net)



[www.worldatlas.com](http://www.worldatlas.com)



[www.eduweb.com](http://www.eduweb.com)



[www.enchantedlearning.com](http://www.enchantedlearning.com)



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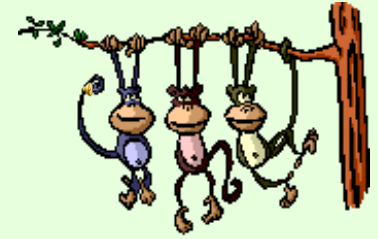
[www.endangereearth.com](http://www.endangereearth.com)



[www.junglephotos.com](http://www.junglephotos.com)



[www.library.thinkquest.org](http://www.library.thinkquest.org)



# Evaluation:

AREA	COMPLETED ITEMS	POINTS	POINTS POSSIBLE	TOTAL POINTS
MAP	COUNTRIES LANDMARKS WATERS RAINFOREST COLOR	2 - POINTS 2 - POINTS 2 - POINTS 2 - POINTS 2 - POINTS	10	
4-SPECIES	4 - SPECIES ALPHABETICAL ORDER	4 - POINT EACH 1 - POINT EACH	20	
REPORT/ POWER POINT	DIET HABITAT INTEREST	5 - POINTS 5 - POINTS 5 - POINTS	15	
ART PROJECT	4 - SPECIES HABITAT NEAT/COLORFUL	5 - POINTS 5 - POINTS 5 - POINTS	15	
QUIZ / MASTER	10 QUESTIONS	1 - POINT EACH	10	
PRESENTATION	INDIVIDUAL (4) JOBS COMPLETE	5 POINTS EACH	20	
PARTICIPATION	WORK TOGETHER FOLLOW DIRECTION	5 POINTS 5 POINTS	10	



# Conclusion:

The Amazon Basin Rainforest of South America is unique because of the many endangered and unusual animals that live and thrive only in this tropical setting. But there are many other sides to this world we did not study in this project, such as the people, the many plants and insects that thrive here are just a few of the many wonders of this continent. So keep learning about this wonderful world that exists in the rainforest of South America and help keep it alive and off the endangered list.