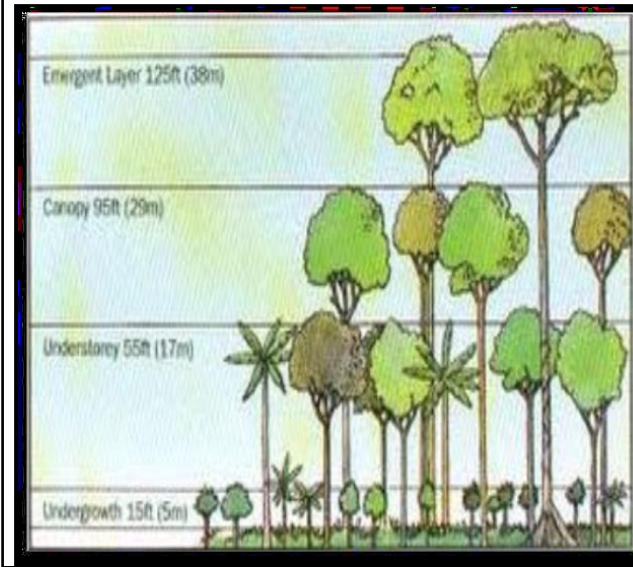


Key Vocabulary

Rainforest, deforestation, Tropic of Cancer, Tropic of Capricorn, indigenous, biodiversity, destruction, global warming, South America, The Amazon, layers, indigenous, equator, southern hemisphere, pros/cons.

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Layers of the Rainforest



Impact of Deforestation

1	An area the size of 20 football pitches is destroyed every 60 seconds.
2	½ of the tropical rainforests we had are gone.
3	28,000 species of animals are expected to become extinct in the next 25 years
4	Local people's homes are destroyed
5	Levels of carbon dioxide in the air are increasing and oxygen is decreasing.

Causes of Deforestation

1	To clear space for farming: growing crops (e.g. soya beans & palm oil) and space cattle to generate cheap beef.
2	Chopping down trees for wood.
3	To build roads to mine for metals, gold & diamonds.
4	To dig for oil.
5	To flood areas to make dams & generate electricity.

