## Year 5 Locational Knowledge/Human and Physical Geography – South America and Rainforests

## Why should the Rainforest be important to us all?

- Continent a large area of land made up of multiple countries.
   The seven continents of the world are Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australia.
- 2) Ocean a large body of water (larger and deeper than a sea)
  The five oceans of the world are Pacific Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, Arctic Ocean.
- 3) Equator An imaginary line around the middle of the Earth at an equal distance from the North Pole and the South Pole.



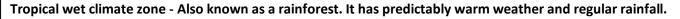
## **South America**

- 4) Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela are countries in South America.
- 5) Brazil a country in South America Brasilia the capital city of Brazil
- 6) Portuguese the official language spoken in Brazil.
- 7) Major Cities Rio De Janeiro, Sao Paulo
- 8) Physical Features of Brazil The Amazon Rainforest, The Amazon River, Iguacu Falls, Beaches









Emergent layer - Giant trees push above the canopy and grow mushroom-like crowns

Canopy - Broad irregular trees grow a dense, continuous canopy of leaves 60-90 feet above the ground

Understory layer - Small trees and shrubs that can grow in low light

Forest floor - Dark, damp ground level

The Amazon is the world's largest rainforest

Deforestation - when forests are destroyed by cutting trees (logging) and not replanting them.

