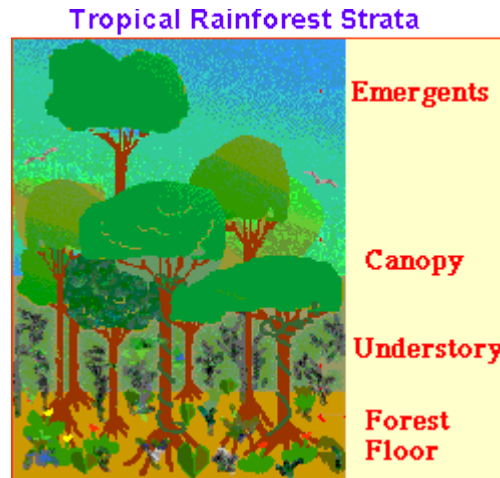


Layers of the Rainforest



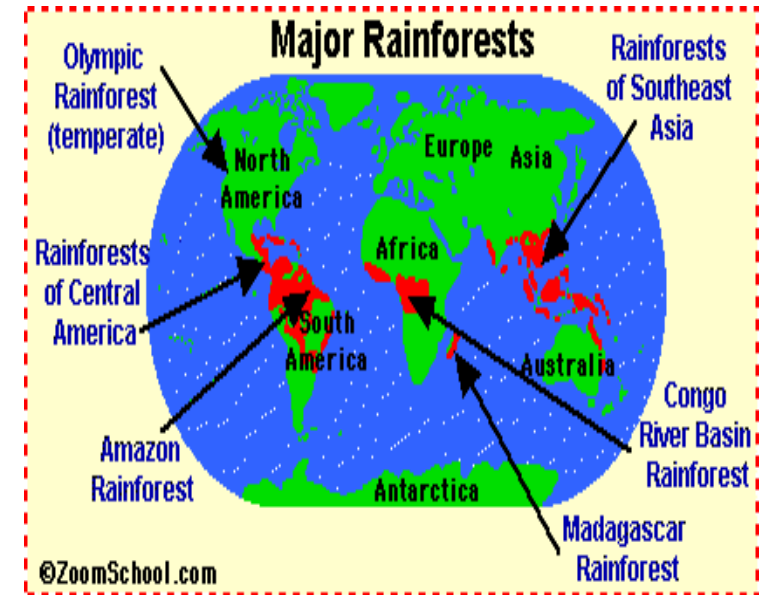
- **EMERGENTS:** Giant trees that are much higher than the average canopy height. It houses many birds and insects.
- **CANOPY:** The upper parts of the trees. This leafy environment is full of life in a tropical rainforest and includes: insects, birds, reptiles, mammals, and more.
- **UNDERSTORY:** A dark, cool environment under the leaves but over the ground.

FOREST FLOOR: Teeming with animal life, especially insects. The largest animals in the

Rainforest

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Location of Rainforests in the World.



Animals of the Rainforest

Boa Constrictor



Boa constrictors live in South and Central America. Boa constrictors are carnivores. They mainly hunt at night. Boa constrictors eat birds, small mammals, and some reptiles. Boa constrictors kill prey by constricting. They can grow 6 feet to 10 feet long. They can weigh over 60 pounds. The largest boa constrictor ever found was 18.5 feet long.



The harpy eagle is one of the biggest and most powerful eagles in the world. The harpy eagle is endangered. Harpy eagles are 2.8 feet long and have wingspan of about 6.5 feet long. They eat sloths, monkeys opossums, large reptiles, large rodents, and other birds.

Poison Dart Frog



Poison dart frogs have bright colors to warn predators that they are poisonous. They live in tropical rainforests in South and Central America. Poison dart frogs eat insects and other small arthropods. Any animal gets poisoned from the poison that the frog gives. The only animal that is immune to the poison is the snake called the leimadophis epinephules.