

Tropical forests

Worksheet 1

Adapted from: <http://www.esldiscussions.com/a/amazon.html>

AMAZON DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What images come to mind when you hear the word 'Amazon'?
- 2) What do you know about the Amazon?
- 3) How important is the Amazon?
- 4) Which is more important, the Amazon River or Amazon rainforests?
- 5) What kind of animals are unique to the Amazon?
- 6) What environmental problems does the Amazon have?
- 7) What's the difference between a rainforest and a jungle?
- 8) What can we do to help protect the Amazon?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Would you like to spend a year living in the Amazon jungle?
- 2) What can Amazonian Indians teach us about life?
- 3) Who has a better life, Amazonian Indians or us?
- 4) What do you think Amazonian Indians think of developers cutting down and polluting the rainforests?
- 5) Oil giants Chevron and Texaco say they are looking after the rainforest and indigenous peoples. What do you think?
- 6) Could you survive a year alone in the Amazon?
- 7) Why is it so important to protect the Amazon?
- 8) Which is the only river in the world longer than the Amazon?