

Finn's Rainforest Exploration

Learning objective: To identify and describe the layers of a tropical rainforest.

Finn the dolphin has travelled from the ocean to explore the rainforest! Look at the list of layers below. Match the name of the layer to the correct description. Use the word bank to help you.

Word bank: Emergent layer · Canopy · Understory · Forest floor

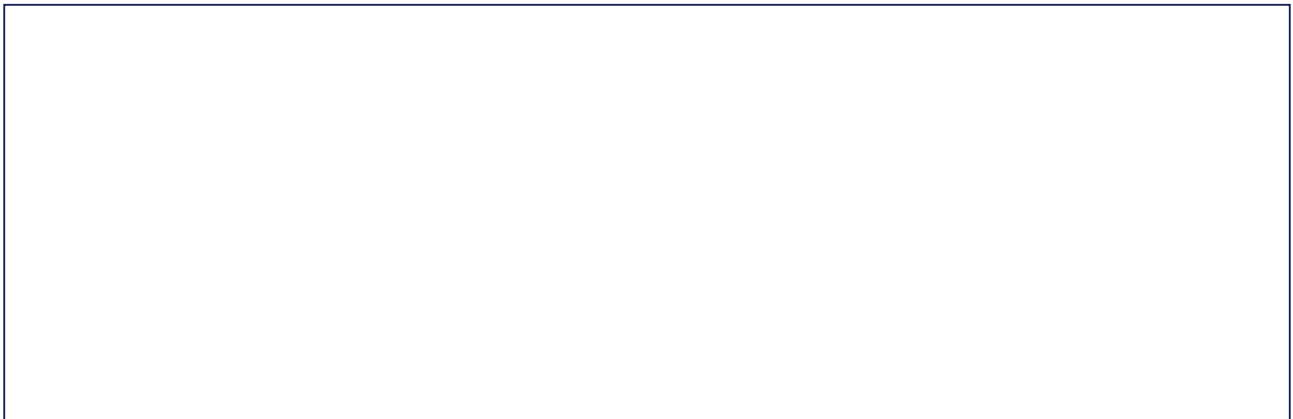
1. 1. This is the very bottom of the rainforest. It is dark and quiet. It is called the:
_____ (1 mark)

2. 2. This layer has the tallest trees that poke out above all the others. It is called the:
_____ (1 mark)

3. 3. This is like a thick roof made of leaves and branches where many animals live. It is called the: _____ (1 mark)

4. 4. This layer is under the thick roof. It is very shady and gets little sunlight. It is called the: _____ (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a large tree. Label the four layers you just learned about on your drawing. _____



Extension challenge: Think of one animal that might live in the 'Canopy' layer. Write its name and tell me why it likes living high up in the trees.