

# Questions about Rainforests

## Answers

1. What fraction of our natural medicines have been found in rainforests?

**One quarter.**

2. Name the two types of rainforest.

**Temperate and tropical.**

3. Which rainforests are nearer The Equator – temperate or tropical?

**Tropical.**

4. Where in the rainforest is the canopy?

**At the top.**

5. What is it about the canopy that makes it easy for animals to jump from tree to tree?

**The leaves and branches are close together.**

6. It is very crowded and leafy in the canopy. How do some animals communicate because of this when they cannot see each other?

**Loud calls.**

7. Why is the forest floor dark?

**The canopy blocks light.**

8. Name one way that the rainforests affect our life on Earth.

**One from: weather/climate, produces oxygen, absorbs carbon dioxide, the water cycle.**

9. In the fact file, why has the author emphasised the word 'only'.

**To show how important the rainforests are. It also makes you wonder what we would do without them if there is a cancer cure there.**

10. Read the last line...what is your opinion and why?

**Open ended: discuss and include issues such as carbon dioxide/oxygen, medicines and cures for cancer and animals species.**