Geography Scheme of Learning Year 8 – Term 3/Unit 3/Palm oil, plants and people

<u>Intent – Rationale</u>

Tropical rainforests have a wider biodiversity than any other biome in the world and play a vital role as a 'carbon sink'. The issue of deforestation is of global concern and the intent in this unit is to impart knowledge of the threats facing the forest rainforests and the indigenous people who live there and the impact this may have. We also consider opportunities for tourism in the tropical rainforest by designing ecotourism resorts and consider the sustainability of low-impact tourism.

Sequencing – what prior learning does this topic build upon?	Sequencing – what subsequent learning does this topic feed into?
 KS2 – Biomes and vegetation belts KS2 – locational knowledge (Equator) Y8 Asia (deforestation in Indonesia) 	 KS4 (GCSE) – The Living World with a focus on tropical rainforests (characteristics, causes and impacts of deforestation and sustainable forest management) KS3 – Y8 – Unit 5- Rivers and flood management – impact of building the Belo Monte Dam on the Amazon rainforest
What are the links with other subjects in the curriculum?	What are the links to SMSC, British Values and Careers?
 Biology – processes of photosynthesis. Biology – biodiversity Biology – plant and animal adaptations 	Spiritual development 2 – a sense of enjoyment and fascination in learning about others and the world around Spiritual development 4 – willingness to reflect on student experiences – who has visited a tropical rainforest? Some students may have visited the Eden project Moral development 3 – interest in offering reasoned views about ethical issues including the impact of deforestation on the indigenous people of the forest and the issue of palm oil production Cultural development 1 – an understanding of the cultural influences on the indigenous people of the tropical rainforest

What are the opportunities for developing literacy skills and developing learner confidence and enjoyment in reading?	What are the opportunities for developing mathematical skills
FROM THE LIBRARY Horrible Geography; Bloomin Rainforests-910 In The Rainforest- 577 People and Places-Secrets of the Rainforest-333.75 Rainforest People-304.209 Trekking in the Congo Rainforest-916 Ethical Tourism- 170 Travel and Tourism-338 Global Tourism Issues- 305	Budget management – funding the sustainable ecotourism resort

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<u>Intent – Concepts</u>

What knowledge will students gain and what skills will they develop as a consequence of this topic?

Know

Characteristics of the tropical rainforest in terms of its structure

Distribution of the tropical rainforest

Examples of plant and animal species in the tropical rainforest and how they adapt to the conditions

Deforestation and its impact on biodiversity of the tropical rainforest and the nutrient cycle

The lifestyle of indigenous people of the tropical rainforest

What palm oil is and why it is produced

What ecotourism is and opportunities for ecotourism in the tropical rainforest

Apply

Knowledge of the sun and the tilt of the earth to explain the climate of the tropical rainforest

Knowledge of the threats facing the indigenous people of the tropical rainforest to understand how their lives are threatened

Knowledge of the demand for palm oil products to explain why its production is leading to widespread deforestation

Knowledge of the suggested cost of materials to budget for and design an ecotourism resort

Extend

Assess whether governments have a role to play in protecting the indigenous people of the tropical rainforest Consider solutions/alternatives to palm oil production Evaluate the sustainability of ecotourism in the tropical rainforest

What subject specific language will be used and developed in this topic?	What opportunities are available for assessing the progress of students?
canopy, emergent, buttress roots, decomposers, nutrients, biodiversity, convectional rain, distribution, adaptation, indigenous people, slash and burn, shifting cultivation, palm oil, plantation, ecotourism, deforestation, afforestation, sustainability	In starters, plenaries and during the lessons – formative assessment and retrieval practice to reinforce prior knowledge e.g., word searches, bingo, memory recall, definition matches etc.

 For homework -tasks that require students to research new knowledge. For example, researching how animals and plants adapt to the conditions in the TRF
 Summative assessments: multiple-choice, one-mark answers, extended answers in test or exam conditions or as end-of-unit tests.
 Key word meaning and spelling tests are included as part of the focus on building a knowledge bank of geographical vocabulary

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Lesson title	Learning challenge	Higher level challenge	Suggested activities and resources
Distribution	To be able to describe	To be able to explain the	Powerpoint 1
and	the characteristics of	distribution of the TRF.	Sensory task – what can you see, feel, hear, smell, feel in the TRF?
structure of	the tropical rainforest		http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00xppgp
tropical	and describe the		Climate graph description and explanation
rainforests	biomes distribution		Distribution of TRF description
			Geog. 23 rd edition. Pages 56-57
			Plenary – line students up in height order. Who would be in the
			emergent layer, canopy, under-canopy and shrub layer?
Biodiversity	To be able to provide	To be able to explain the	Powerpoint 2
of the	examples of the	impact on the nutrient	Starter – anagrams
tropical	biodiversity of the TRF	cycle of deforestation	True/False quiz
rainforest			Define 'Biodiversity'
			Video – Planet Earth Jungle – question sheet
			https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b0074tgb/planet-earth-8-jungles
			Gap fill of nutrient cycle

Plant and animal adaptations in the tropical rainforest	To be able to describe how a range of plants and animals adapt to the conditions in the TRF	To be able to explain through independent research how and why plants and animals adapt to conditions in the TRF	Powerpoint 3: Starter: Watch BBC clip of a sloth and a clip of the Eden Project TRF biome. Discuss plant and animal adaptations. Students play the role of Professor Talltrees who is responsible for writing a report about the plants and animal adaptations in the TRF. Stick in images/draw sketches and annotate them to describe how these species have adapted to cope with the hot, wet and challenging conditions Show success criteria to the students. They have one lesson and a homework to complete the task
Indigenous people of the tropical rainforest (1)	To be able to describe the way of life for indigenous people	To be able to compare our lives and experiences with those of the indigenous people living in the TRF.	Powerpoint 4 and 5 Starter: Recap on features of the tropical rainforest (gap fill task) Watch clips and make notes on the lives of the indigenous people of the TRF https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RawJ875KCco (up to 10:30) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yu88xsGweZs Define key terms: shifting cultivation and 'slash and burn' and 'subsistence.' Plenary: Do you think the indigenous people of the tropical rainforest should be protected?
Indigenous people of the tropical rainforest (2- 3)	To be able to describe the pressures/threats facing the indigenous people of the TRF	To be able to justify whether governments around the world have a duty to protect the people of the rainforest and their way of life	Powerpoint 4 and 5 Starter: Thoughts and ideas about an image Show clips: 1. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sLErPqqCC54 2. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-WK8QWRZOxo 3. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VIM1Wmycslg Discuss advantages/disadvantages of interaction between indigenous people of the TRF and other people. Role play task: Imagine you are investigating the lives of Kayapo indigenous people and as an anthropologist you are finding out more

			about the lives of these people. In groups of 3 or 4 write an interview for a TV documentary with an indigenous person about their lifestyle. Present and peer-evaluate using feedback sheet Homework: What is your opinion and why? "Governments around the world have a duty to protect the people of the rainforest and their way of life." "The indigenous people of the rainforest lead a life that is much worse than ours. They don't have electricity and all the goods that go with them. They don't have cars, heated houses, Facebook, Internet, shops and banks".
Palm oil production in the tropical rainforest	To be able to describe that palm oil is used for and the impact of its production	To be able to evaluate the advantages/disadvantage s of palm oil production	Powerpoint 6 Starter: Show image of TRF and plantation of palm oil trees: What do you think will happen next and why? Table to shade showing advantages and disadvantages of palm oil production Clips: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7jojJj-s5w8 https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&v=w- 1DQwaauwE Iceland advert https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQQXstNh45g Homework: Should palm oil production be banned? Resources: https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=241&v=UGFmP_wWz tU https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/39492207

Ecotourism opportunitie s in the tropical rainforest (2 lessons)	To be able to describe ecotourism and its characteristics/feature s	To be able to justify the design of an ecotourism resort with reference to a financial budget	Powerpoint 7/8 Clips: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fv055Sgi4o (up to 2.55) Worksheet – Designing an ecotourism resort Evaluation sheet Plenary: How much fun? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bwrYJ-5g8OA Jungle gondola lift in Ecuador or: Imagine that you and your partner are two macaws. Have a short conversation discussing whether or not it is a good idea to allow tourists into the rainforest.
End of topic asssesment			