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Year 8

Department of Geography

OVERVIEW

Skills Developed

- Geographical awareness
- Understanding how other people live
- Independence
- Curiosity
- Literacy – writing for different audiences
- Data presentation
- Graphical presentation
- Analysis
- Evaluation

Topics covered

- **Topic One:** What are Ecosystems?
- **Topic Two:** What processes drive the Tropical Rainforest?
- **Topic Three:** How and why are populations structure around the world?
- **Topic Four:** Why do people migrate?

How we assess your daughter's progress

How we support and develop your daughter

Support materials:

- www.geography.learnontheinternet.co.uk/topics/rainforest.html
- <https://www.kew.org/>
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography/ecosystems/>
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography/population/>
- <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zg7nvcw>

How you can help your daughter

- Buy an atlas and find places your family are connected to.
- Be aware of Geography stories in the news related to the topics she is studying - sit and watch the news together, find stories online or in the newspaper (local and national) to discuss.
- Go on day visits to the local areas and if possible beyond to regional and national locations.
- When away on holiday think about your own impacts as a tourist and what tourism does for the areas you visit- both in this country and abroad.
- Suggested locations:
 - o Local areas: Box Hill (North Downs), London (the London Docklands, East London regeneration, Notting Hill), RHS Wisley, Kew Gardens
 - o Regional areas: Cuckmere Haven, Brighton, the New Forest, Queen Elizabeth Country Park, the Devil's Punchbowl
 - o National locations: The Lake District National Park, Yorkshire Dales National Park and the Dorset Coastline (Durdle Door, Swanage etc.)