Rainforest Poetry



Day 3

Monday 13th July 2020/ Thursday 16th July 2020

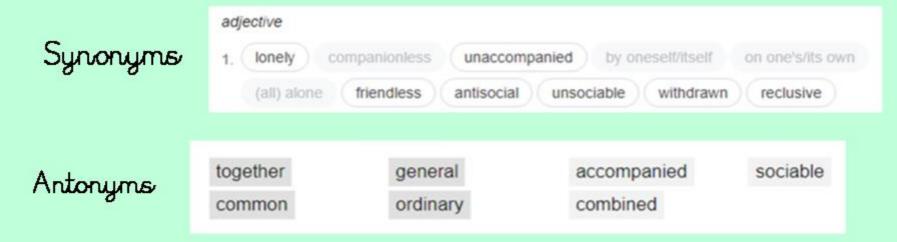
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## Word of the Day Solitary

Adjectives done or existing alone.





Leopards are very solitary and spend most of their time alone

## Which is the odd one out?

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The forest was a huge green blanket.

## Which is the odd one out? ANSWERS

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The toucan's beak was like a colourful rainbow. (S)

The squirrels argued over the acorns. (P)

Vines slithered their way down the bark like snakes (S)

The forest was a huge green blanket. (M)

(S) Simile (P) Personification (M) Metaphor

## What is personification?

## PERSONification

Giving human qualities to animals or objects.

Example:

The stars winked at me.

## Are these examples of personification? Prove it

The vines clamber up the neck of the old oak tree.

The vine's spindly fingers slowly strangle the wrinkled and withered neck of the old oak.

## Don't forget alliteration

Caterpillars crawled creepily along the branches bony fingers.

Vibrant butterflies flapped furiously in the sweltering heat

Toucans posed proudly showing off their incredible beaks.

## Making a metaphor

Generate a simile: The stars are like diamonds.

Omit the word like: The stars are diamonds.

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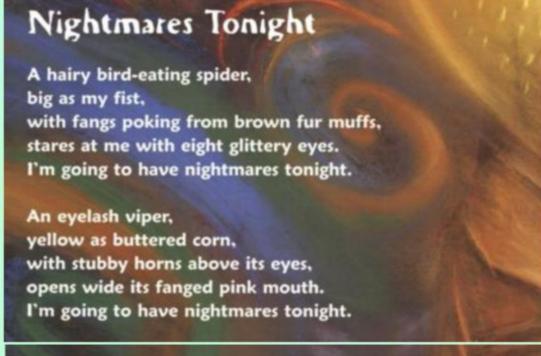
diamond stars.

## Recap

## What makes a good poem?

- Rhyming
- Figurative language
- Creating a picture in your head
- Powerful vocabulary





An upside-down brown bat,
hanging like a leather coat,
with squished-in face and vampire teeth,
sleeps in a hollow tree till dark.
I think I'll just stay awake.

# Jungle Concert

I roam through green silence, then stop

to let blossoms of sound unfold in many colors:

rustles in the underbrush, crinkle of leaves as a monkey lands, a jagged whistle cutting the air,

twee twee twee whit trickling down

from a tree.

a parrot's raak kraak kwaaa, the chirps and whirrs of insects and frogs,

a noise like distant barks of a dog becoming the roar

of a dozen winds

as howler monkeys cry.

Last the whish and spatter of rain filling my ears,

filling the world with no other sound but water.

#### Giant Armadillo

Rat-tailed, pig-nosed, rabbit-eared fellow
Stuck in a turtle shell, poor armadillo.
Warts on his tongue and plates on his back.
Maggots and worms are his favorite snack.
He's a snuffler and snorter instead of a squeaker.
Often he smells like a very old sneaker.
He wears on one toe the world's largest claw,
So you'd think that everyone might stand in awe,
But he hides in a hole if someone says boo.
I wish I could tell him, "There's no one like you!"
With a hundred-tooth smile and his own suit of armor,
He's really a one-in-a-million-y charmer.

LO: To plan a poem

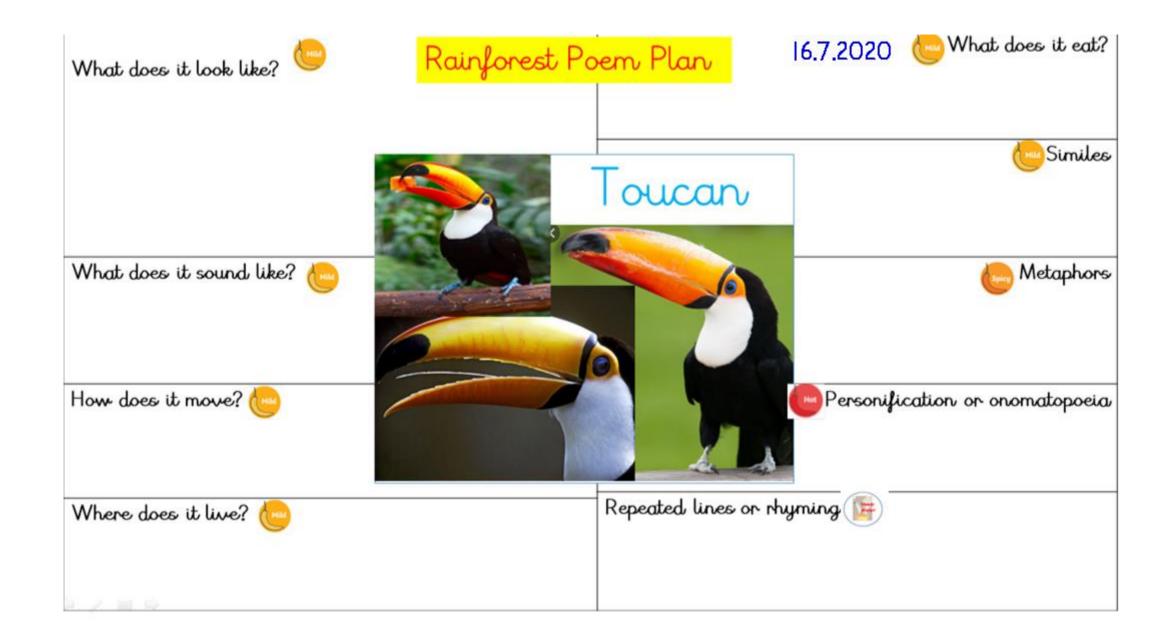
• Choose an animal

Use senses to describe it

Success Criteria

· Use the vocabulary mats to help

- Interesting adjective, verbs and adverbs
- Similes
- Metaphors
- Personification
- Onomatopoeia
- Create a picture of an animal/scene in the rainforest



What Can I Describe?	How Can I Describe It?	What Can It Do?
biodiversity	chaotic	crawl
canopies	dense	creep
deforestation	endless	disappear
ecosystems	exotic	emerge
fauna	hazardous	escape
flora	hostile	hide
fruits	humid	infest
ground	impassable	inhabit
habitats	impenetrable	live
insects	lush	lurk
layers	luxuriant	melt
plants	mysterious	plunge
predators	remote	retreat
species	steamy	roam
swamps	swampy	search
temperature	tangled	survive
thickets	tough	teem
vines	trackless	trek
weather	unexplored	venture
wildlife	uninhabited	wander

#### **Examples of Effective Phrases**

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Among gnarled and twisted vines...

...abundant and luscious flora...

...through the impenetrable and sinister swamp...

...previously unexplored territory...

Stifling heat made the exotic paradise extremely hazardous.



#### What Is the Climate Like?

consistently warm, equatorial, hot, humid, moist, stagnant, temperate, tropical, water-abundant, wet, year-round high temperatures

## What Is the Rainforest like at Night?

awake, busy, dangerous, deadly, lively, nocturnal, noisy, pitch-black, predator-filled

#### What Sounds Can Be Heard?

buzzing, chattering, clicking, dripping, flapping, growling, howling, loud, rustling, scuttling, shrieking, splashing, squawking, stridulating, trickling, vocalising

#### How Could You Describe a Rainforest?

abundant, biodiverse, chaotic, dense, essential, impassable, impenetrable, inaccessible, luxuriant, mysterious, primitive, pristine, remote, temperate, tough, undisturbed, unexplored, vast

## Tropical Rainforest

Descriptive Words

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#### What Is It like in a Rainforest Canopy?

breezy, bright, elevated, leafy, maze-like, noisy, nutrient-rich, plentiful, refreshing, strong, sunlit, tangled, vibrant, warm

#### What Does a Rainforest Smell Like?

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decaying, earthy, fetid, floral, fruity, leafy, moist, pungent, swampy, tropical, vegetation

#### What Is the Emergent Layer Like?

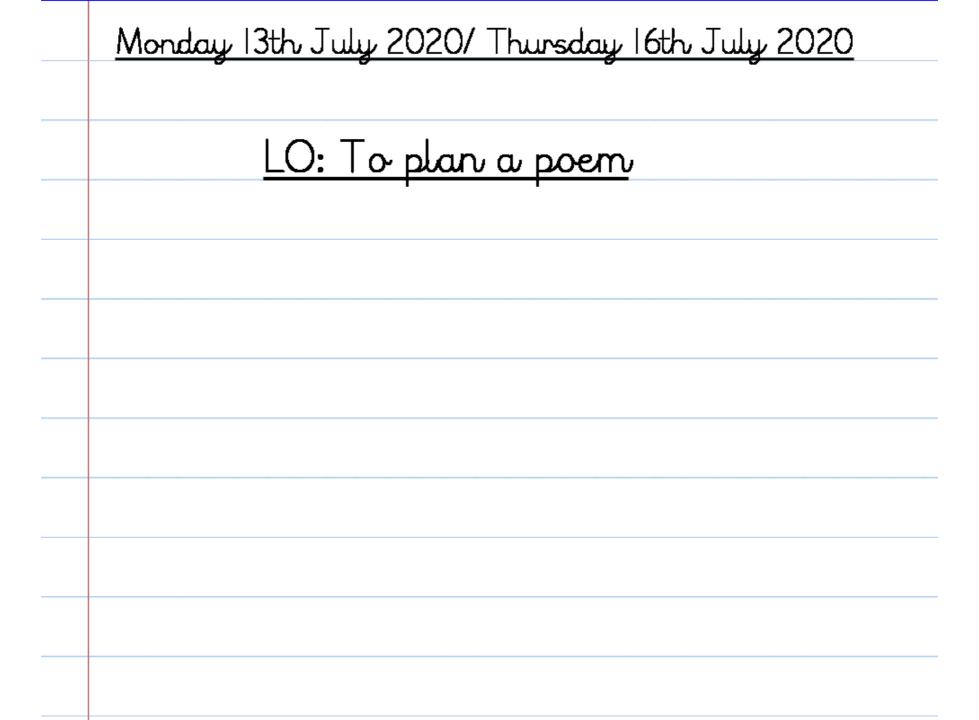
bright, broad-leaved, hardwood, looming, noisy, rainy, sunlit, top-heavy, towering, unsteady, windy

#### What Is the Understorey Like?

damp, dangerous, food-rich, hot, humid, leafy, lively, low-light, moist, patchy, shaded, sheltered, speckled, sun-dappled, teeming, warm, wet

#### How Could You Describe the Forest Floor?

dank, dark, decaying, decomposing, earthy, hot, infested, putrid, rotting, shaded, shadowy, unlit



## <u>Challenges</u>



Think about interesting verbs, adjectives and adverbs to describe what it looks like, sounds like, how it moves, what it eats, where it lives. Think of similes to include. Think about alliteration.



All of mild plus think of metaphors to include



All of mild and spicy plus trying to include some personification or onomatopoeia.



Can you think of a line to repeat throughout? Any rhyming to include at the end of the lines?