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Here are some facts about the Rainforest. There were once 10,000,000 Indians in the Amazon and a lot got killed! Isn't that sad? Now there are only 100,000. The Amazon River provides two-thirds of the earth's fresh water. The temperature ranges from 70-90 Fahrenheit! The Amazon gets 6-30 feet of rain per year! Only 1% of the sunlight that shines on the canopy reaches the forest floor!

### Facts about the Rainforest People

- The people of the rainforest make all their materials from things in the rainforest.
- For a special ceremony women make sago which is a cake like ball made out of flour.
- The people of the rainforest love to dance.
- The kids in the rainforest love to swing in hammocks!



# RAINFORESTS

# Green Iguana

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The Green Iguana is a very good pet for home, but that doesn't mean you should take one out of the jungle. The Green iguana is like a chameleon, but bigger. Their skin is covered with tiny scales which darken when in the light. (Just so you know they can't change colors like chameleons). Mini iguanas are bright green while big iguanas are more gray than green while the tail is yellow-green stripes. Male iguanas are brighter colored than the females. Along the throat on the bottom is a loose square of skin called a dewlap. A full grown iguana is about 6 or 7 feet in length! They look like a lizard. The iguana has a big head and a round nose and powerful jaws. They have strong arms and their hands are like long bear claws.

Did you know that iguanas are found from northern Mexico to the South American tropics? They are forest-dwellers, which means they like to live in the forest. They like branches and flooded areas and are not found in areas over 3,000 feet high. Iguanas are mostly vegetarians, and eat: fruit, leaves, flowers and other plant matter. Around February and January mating seasons begin. The babies grow 6 to 10 inches a year and grow up in about 3 years. An iguana can live 15 years as a pet. Did you know that you can eat an iguana?! That's why people hunt them. The iguana can scratch you and it would really hurt. Their tail can break off and grow back.

They rarely come down from the trees. They can stay underwater for a long time. The iguana is not threatened to be extinct but it is hunted. It is nicknamed the chicken of the forest. Local people will eat Iguana eggs. They lay 25 to 40 eggs in a nest in the base of the tree. If they are threatened by a predator they will jump in the water if near. They have big scales located on the side of the head which are used to distract predators away from the eyes.

The Green Iguana





*Green Iguana!*

## HAIKUS

### Rainforest

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Gorgeous Rainforest  
Toucans, Monkeys, Anteaters  
Gorgeous Rainforest

### Monkeys

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**The Orange Monkeys**  
**The Mom Monkey and Babies**  
**The Orange Monkeys**

### Butterflies with Eyes

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See the Butterflies  
Pretty Butterfly with eyes  
Little Butterfly

## IGUANAS

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Iguanas are green  
They live in the Canopy  
They live in the Trees



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### How We Can Help Save the Rainforest

- \* Use less paper.
- \* Try to raise money for animals and plants.
- \* Recycle.
- \* Cut down fewer trees.
- \* Visit some of these websites to find out more:
  - \* [www.ran.org](http://www.ran.org)
  - \* [www.Earth2kids.org](http://www.Earth2kids.org)