

Matching Statements with Amazon Rainforest Interest Groups

Which group would make each of these statements?

Statement 1: We've been here longer than anyone. Our land and way of life should be protected.

Statement 2: Land that has been opened to us in the rainforest finally gives us a chance to provide food for our families. You can't take that away.

Statement 3: What we do to earn a living doesn't hurt the rainforest. Because of that, we should have land of our own in the rainforest.

Statement 4: We're taking land that has already been cleared and making it productive. Besides, we provide a valuable product to hungry people all around the world.

Statement 5: People in other countries use the valuable resources of their land to provide jobs for people and improve the economic situation of their country. Why can't we do the same?

Statement 6: We must stop much of what is happening to the rainforest, or eventually people all over the Earth will suffer.

Which group is each of these statements directed toward?

Statement 1: Unless you change the way you do things, the valuable resource you take from the rainforest won't be around much longer. Then what will you do?

Statement 2: You are such a small group, your interests shouldn't outweigh the needs of an entire country. Besides, the way you live just doesn't fit with modern times.

Statement 3: The way you use the rainforest's land turns the forest into grasslands. Grassland may benefit you, but it hurts lots of other people, both here in the Amazon basin and around the world.

Statement 4: Why can't you be given land somewhere else? Besides, rainforest land isn't even good for how you want to use it.

Statement 5: It's easy for you to tell the rest of us what should be done with the rainforest. But you don't rely on the rainforest's land and resources to live, like we do.

Statement 6: The way you make your living in the rainforest is old-fashioned. You are keeping others from using that land more productively.

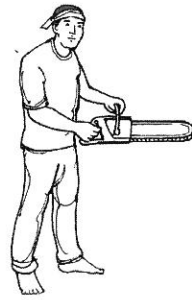
Amazon Rainforest Interest Groups



Native Amazonians



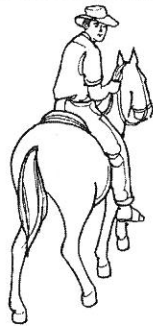
Rubber Tappers



Loggers



Settlers



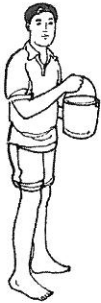
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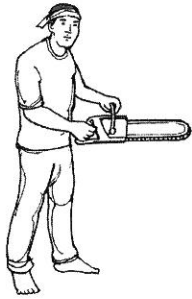
Environmental Groups



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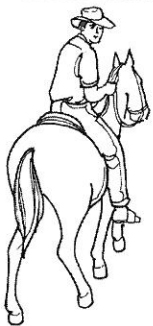
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Read Sections 12.1 and 12.2. Then create an illustrated dictionary of the Geoterm s by completing these tasks:

- Create a symbol or an illustration to represent each term.
- Write a definition of each term in your own words.
- Write a sentence that includes the term and the word *rainforest*.

Geoterm and Symbol	Definition	Sentence
biodiversity		
carbon-oxygen cycle		
deforestation		
sustainable development		
tropical rainforest		

Read the section of Chapter 12 (Sections 12.3 to 12.8) that matches the rainforest group you have been assigned. Complete the Reading Notes for that group. Use the information from each news report to complete the notes for the other rainforest groups. Then complete the Reading Notes for Section 12.9.

12.3 What Native Amazonians Want

When did this group come to the rainforest? How do they use its resources?

What do they want?
How do they defend
their position?



We want...

12.4 What Rubber Tappers Want

When did this group come to the rainforest? How do they use its resources?

What do they want?
How do they defend
their position?



We want...

12.5 What Loggers Want

When did this group come to the rainforest? How do they use its resources?

What do they want?
How do they defend
their position?



We want...

12.6 What Settlers Want

When did this group come to the rainforest? How do they use its resources?

What do they want?
How do they defend
their position?



We want...

12.7 What Cattle Ranchers Want

When did this group come to the rainforest? How do they use its resources?

What do they want?
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their position?



We want...

12.8 What Environmental Groups Want

When did this group come to the rainforest? How do they use its resources?

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How do they defend
their position?



We want...

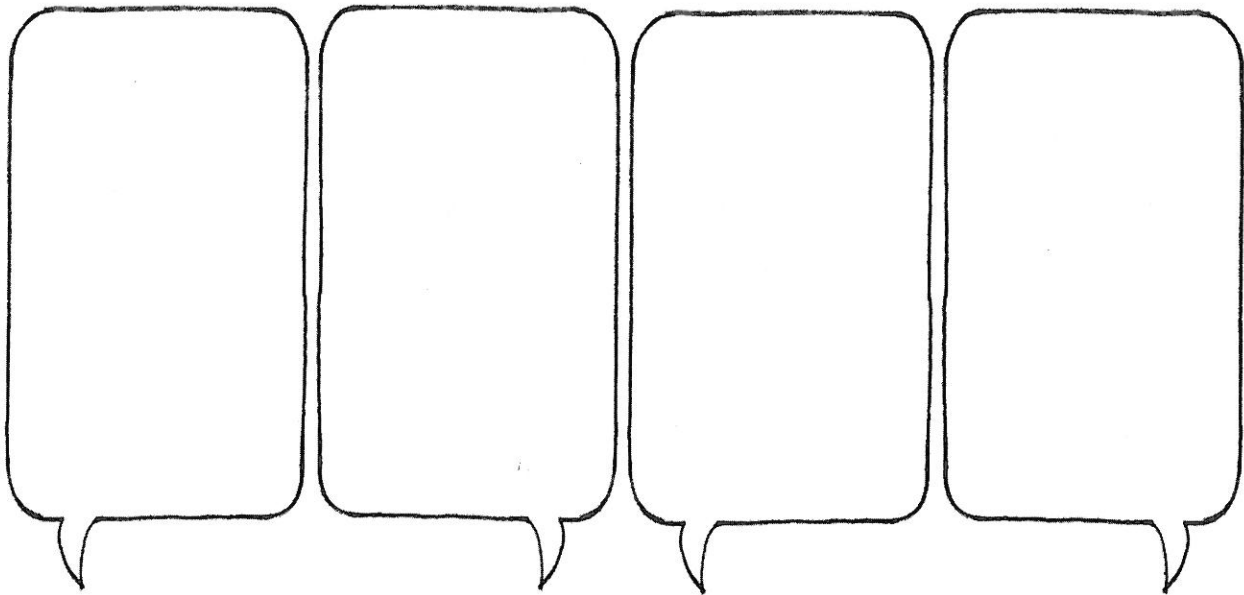
12.9 Ideas for Reducing Land Use Conflict

People have different ideas about how to address land use conflict in the rainforest. Which two ideas would you recommend?

1.

2.

Which rainforest groups' needs would be met by these two ideas? Sketch and label each group below. In each speech bubble, have that group explain how your ideas will meet their needs.



Name of group

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