

Let's Monkey Around!

Key Stage 2 - squirrel monkeys

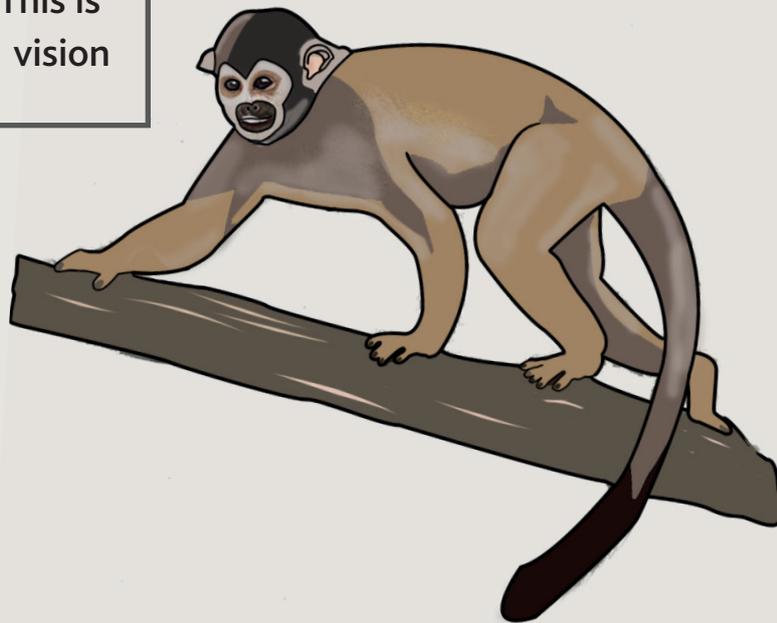
Squirrel monkey facts:

- They live in the Amazon rainforest
- They are very intelligent, and in some ways they are like us!
- A female normally has one baby each year, which she carries with her as she leaps through the trees!

Squirrel monkeys are well suited to survive in their tropical rainforest habitat. Can you fill the correct words in the labels below?

Both eyes at the front of the head (like ours), so able to judge distances when leaping from branch to branch. This is b _ _ _ _ _ vision

Not the same colour all over- makes it harder for predators to see the whole monkey's shape. This is a kind of c _ _ _ _ _ .



Long tail is used for b _ _ _ _ _ when leaping from branch to branch

Hands and feet similar to ours, with fingers and t _ _ _ _ _ that can grip things like branches and food

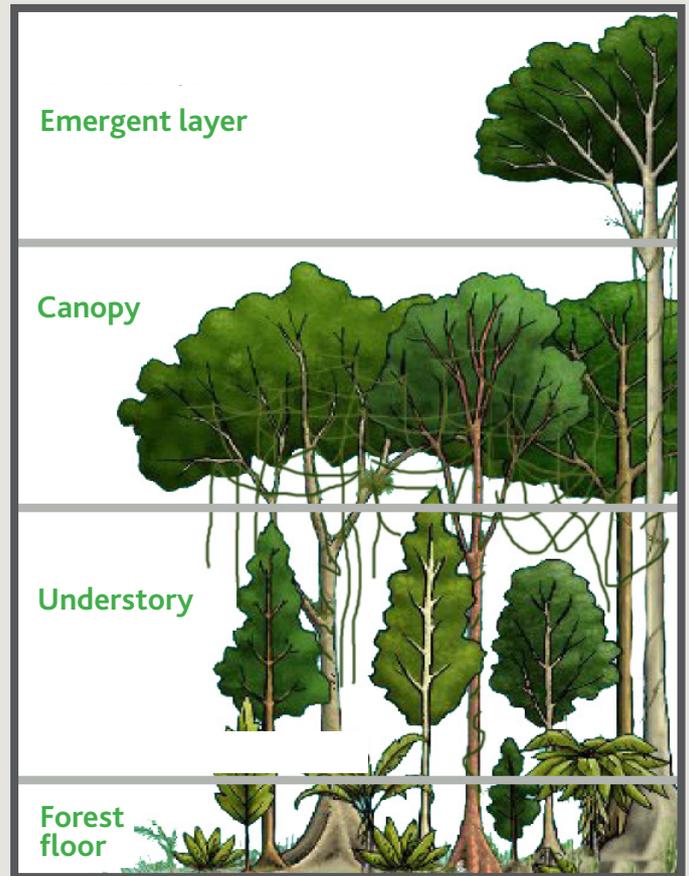
Squirrel monkeys live together in large groups (sometimes more than 100 monkeys). This means that they are able to warn each other of d _ _ _ _ _ .

thumbs danger binocular balance camouflage

Which layer of the rainforest do squirrel monkeys live in?

Write their name in the correct box below, then choose an example of an animal that might live in the other layers, from the selection on the left. (alert: some in the list are not from rainforests at all!!)

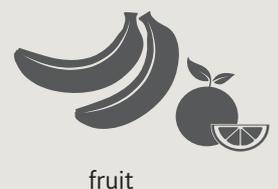
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Dinner time!

Circle or tick 4 foods that squirrel monkeys eat and write the words below

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Extra Activity:

Choose one or more of the following Amazon Rainforest animals and make a factfile with these sections: food; habitat; lifespan; adaptations; breeding. Maybe draw a picture too.

spectacled owl brazilian tapir king vulture agouti blue & yellow macaw capybara