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## **How we can protect the Amazon Rainforest**

The Amazon River provides countless services for humans, some such as water for agriculture, transportation and food. The Amazon river transports 20 percent of the world's freshwater to the sea .The Amazon River, which is known as the world's largest watershed, sends 9 to 30 million gallons of fresh water to the Atlantic Ocean every day. Agriculture is most find in the Amazon rainforest as farming.As the global demand for meat has grown, more cow farms in the Amazon Basin have developed for beef production.

The Amazon river plays an important role in climate change by stabilizing the climate. It's also has part a about in regulating the world's oxygen and carbon cycles. It produces 6 percent of the world's oxygen, meaning it absorbs large amounts of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Over time, global climate change will likely lead to increased temperatures, which will undoubtedly affect the forests, water availability, agriculture, and human health.

Now lets talk about protecting indegenous people who live there. More than 30 million people live in the Amazon rainforest. A lot of people depend on nature for agriculture. Most Indians live in settled villages by the rivers, and grow vegetables and fruits. They live what is called a sustainable existence, meaning they use the land without doing harm to the plants and animals that also call the rainforest their home.

Protecting the Amazon can be very important to the whole environment and countries. Taking care of the resources can be Buy Responsibly Sourced Products. Choosing products that are responsibly sourced or made from recycled materials can go a long way. For example, mining for precious metals is a leading cause of river pollution in the Amazon. **Avoid products made from tropical hardwoods, like guitars and furniture.**

To conclude, there are many ways we could help the Amazon . We could reduce the wood consumption which will help us, it will also help The Amazon and the Tribes that live in the Amazon Rainforest that they call their home there.

# Project Rubric

## Final Paper:

Paragraphs	Description	Points
<b>Introduction</b>	Contains a clear <u>thesis</u> and accurately describes the topic of the paper and why it is being written	3 2 1 0
<b>Argument 1</b>	Argument explains why it is important to protect the Amazon Rainforest, is clear, and uses 3 pieces of information from your sources to support your thesis	4 3 2 1 0
<b>Argument 2</b>	Argument explains why it is important to protect the Amazon Rainforest, is unique and different from argument 1, is clear, and uses 3 pieces of information from your sources to support your thesis	4 3 2 1 0
<b>Action Plan</b>	Paragraph contains an action plan that describes programs and actions you would take in order to better protect the rainforest and the animals that live there. Your action plan must be specific with details that would help the government put it into use.	4 3 2 1 0
<b>Conclusion</b>	Contains clear <u>thesis</u> and summarizes the main ideas of your paper	3 2 1 0
<b>Grammar/ format</b>	Paper uses proper grammar, format and spelling throughout	2 1 0

**Final Paper Points:** 20/ \_\_\_\_\_

**Materials:**

<b>Peer Edit</b>	Completed peer edit assignment with thorough notes about your paper. Clear evidence that your partner has read and given you feedback to help improve your essay	3 2 1 0
<b>Research Table</b>	Completed research table with information about which 4 sources you used and what information you included in your essay.	2 1 0

**Materials Points:** 5/ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Points:** 25/ \_\_\_\_\_