

Pop-Up Card or Book

Grade: 4-5

What You'll Need:

Cardstock or Construction Paper

Scissors

Glue

Markers, Crayons or Colored Pencils

Pencils

Copies of Animals, Plants, etc. on Cardstock or Construction Paper

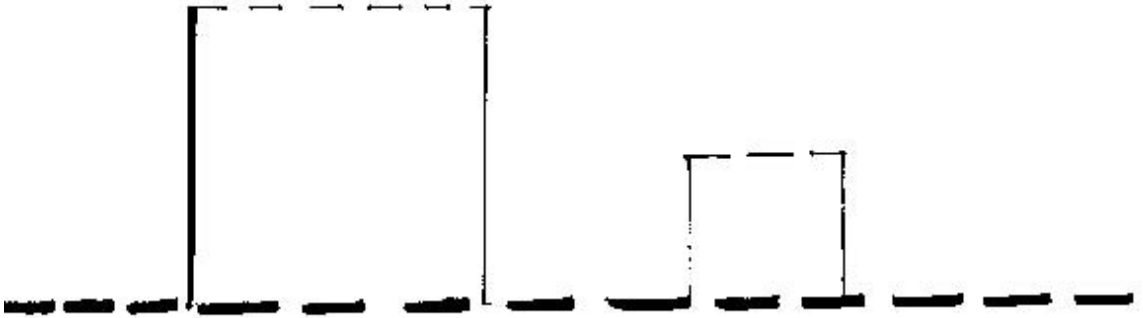
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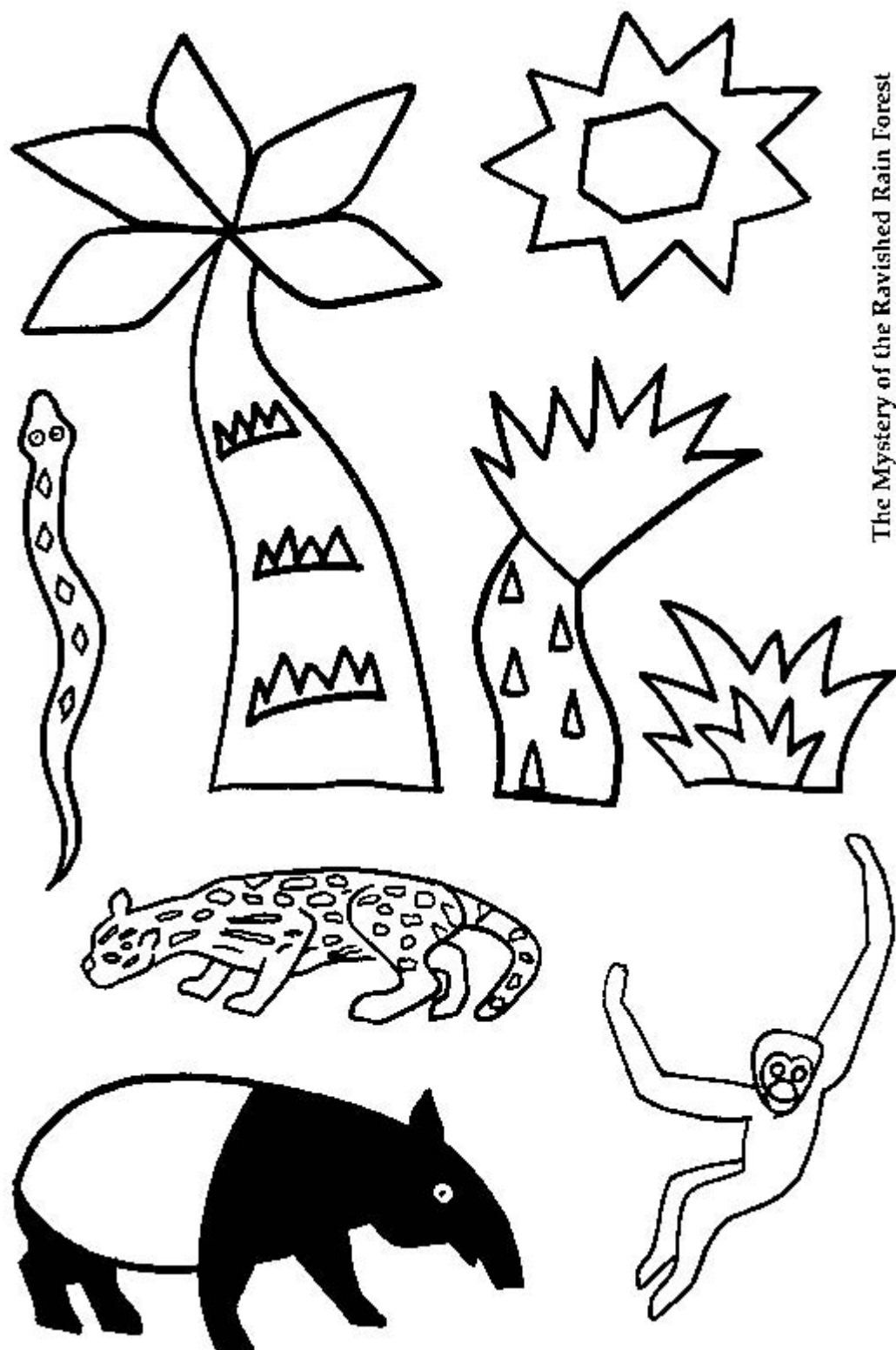
This craft is adapted from Ranger Rick's NatureScope, Diving Into Oceans. Other habitats and animals may be substituted for the Tropical Rainforest with Tapir, Leopard, Python, Hornbill and Gibbon (see photo). Consecutive pages can also be made into a pop-up book.

Steps:

1. Choose a habitat and a few examples of the plant and animal life found there. Older students may choose to create their own backgrounds and draw their own plants and animals. For younger students, you can facilitate the project by xeroxing the template with animals onto cardstock.
2. Fold cardstock (works best) or construction paper in half and decide where pop-up components will be placed by marking with a pencil. Mark a 2 1/2" x 2" rectangle and a 1 1/2" x 1" rectangle about 2 1/2" apart across the fold, so that each rectangle will also fold in half. Additional rectangles may be added.
3. Cut along the sides of the rectangles only, leaving the top & bottom connected. Gently push the rectangles out from the backside of the cardstock or construction paper. Crease each rectangle on the fold so that it stands up when folded.
4. Color and cut out the plants and animals and glue a few to the flat background of your card. Select those that will pop up and glue them to the rectangles.

Source: Ranger Rick NatureScope, Diving into Oceans, Volume 4, Number 2, 1997.





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