

**THE BIRMINGHAM
BOTANICAL
GARDENS**
TURN OVER A NEW LEAF

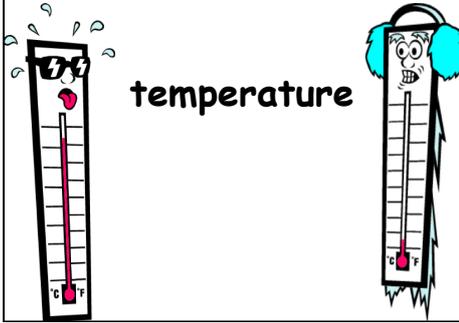
Tropical Rainforest Primary Worksheets

**Focus on:
Food & Drink**

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What does it feel like ?

hot warm cool cold



There is a thermometer and a humidity dial within the Tropical House so the children can be encouraged to take the readings and talk about their findings. Expect the temperature to be up to 26 degrees C (up to 40 in a real rainforest) and the humidity to be up to 85% (100 in a real rainforest).

Some plants in the rainforest can be used for food and drink.

Can you find them?



1

SUGAR / CANE

Sugar also comes from the non-tropical sugar beet plant.



2

COCOA

The pods contain seeds or beans that are used to make chocolate.



3

BANANA

A low-growing rainforest plant with large leaves to absorb sunlight. Very soft stems.



4

COFFEE

The plant grows red berries containing 2 seeds or beans that are roasted for our popular drink.



5

VANILLA

Notice how the plant climbs up to get to the top of the rainforest to reach the sun.



6

CARDAMOM

Low-growing fragrant rainforest plant. Used also in a spicy tea drink.

There are many other food and drink plants to find.

Choose one and draw it here:

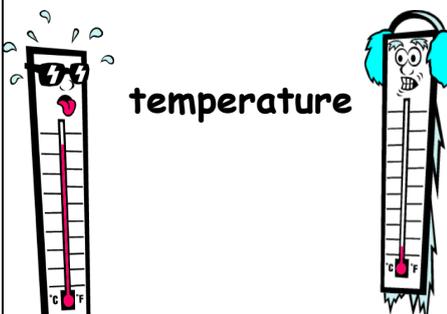
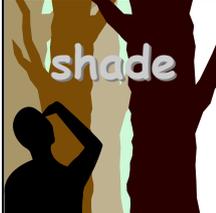
Plants depend on the time of year and can include:

- Ginger
- Kola nut
- Black pepper
- Annatto
- Cassava (tapioca)
- Rice
- Pineapple

It is called:

The Tropical and Subtropical Houses - Food & Drink

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1

S _____ /
C _____
(hint: a grass you might eat for breakfast!)



2

C _____
(hint: yummy dark or white food)



3

B _____
(hint: very popular lunchbox fruit)



4

C _____
(hint: a popular hot drink with teachers!)



5

V _____
(hint: makes ice cream so tasty!)



6

C _____
(hint: a spice often added to curries)

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