Madagascar’s Rainforest
What do you think?

Why are rainforests important?
Watch this video and add to your spider diagram
Describe the climate
Mix and Match

- Temperatures over 20°C for most months of the year...
- High rainfall in each month of the year...
- Long hours of daylight and sunshine...
- High temperatures and high rainfall...
- ...so photosynthesis can take place all year
- ...results in the rapid recycling of nutrients
- ...so there is water available for growth all year
- ...so plant growth is not limited by low temperatures
Nutrient Recycling

• Explain what nutrient recycling is

• Imagine trees have been logged (deforestation) what impact will this have on this cycle?
Madagascar Fact file

USING THESE DEVELOPMENT INDICATORS DESCRIBE WHAT TYPE OF COUNTRY MADAGASCAR IS

- Population: 15.5 million
- Infant Mortality Rate: 95 per 1000
- Urban/Rural: 28/72
- Children per woman: 5.4
- Doctors: 1 per 4000
- Access to safe water: 40%
- Average income: $260
- Life expectancy: 56 (M) 59 (F)
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What problems do you think the rainforest in Madagascar faces?