

What is a biome?

What is a tropical rainforest?

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What are biomes?

Biomes are areas of the planet with similar climates, animals and plants. The five major types are:



Aquatic (water)



Grassland



Forest (woodland/rainforest)



Desert



Tundra

Different types of forest



Boreal (Taiga or snow forest)



Rainforest



Temperate forest: coniferous forest



Temperate forest: deciduous forest

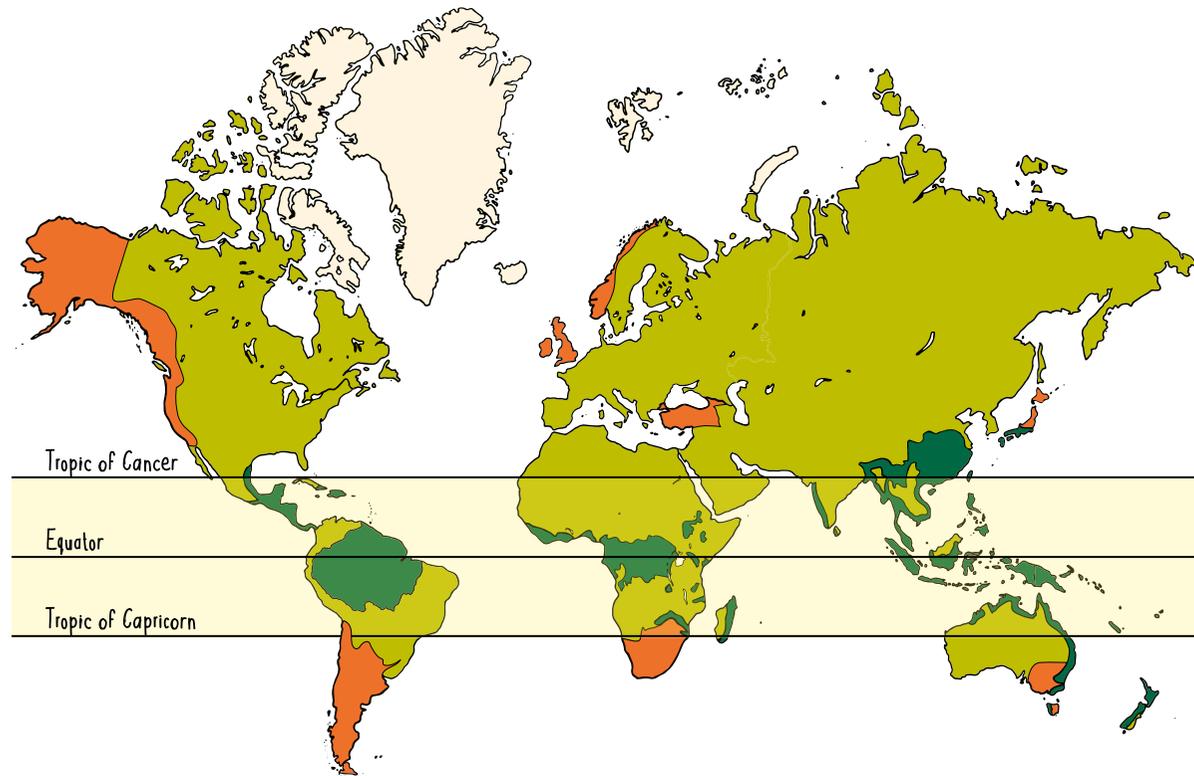
Where are rainforests found?

There are two types of rainforest. The tropical rainforest is shown in green and the temperate rainforest is shown in orange.

Referring to the Equator and the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn:

Where is the temperate rainforest found?

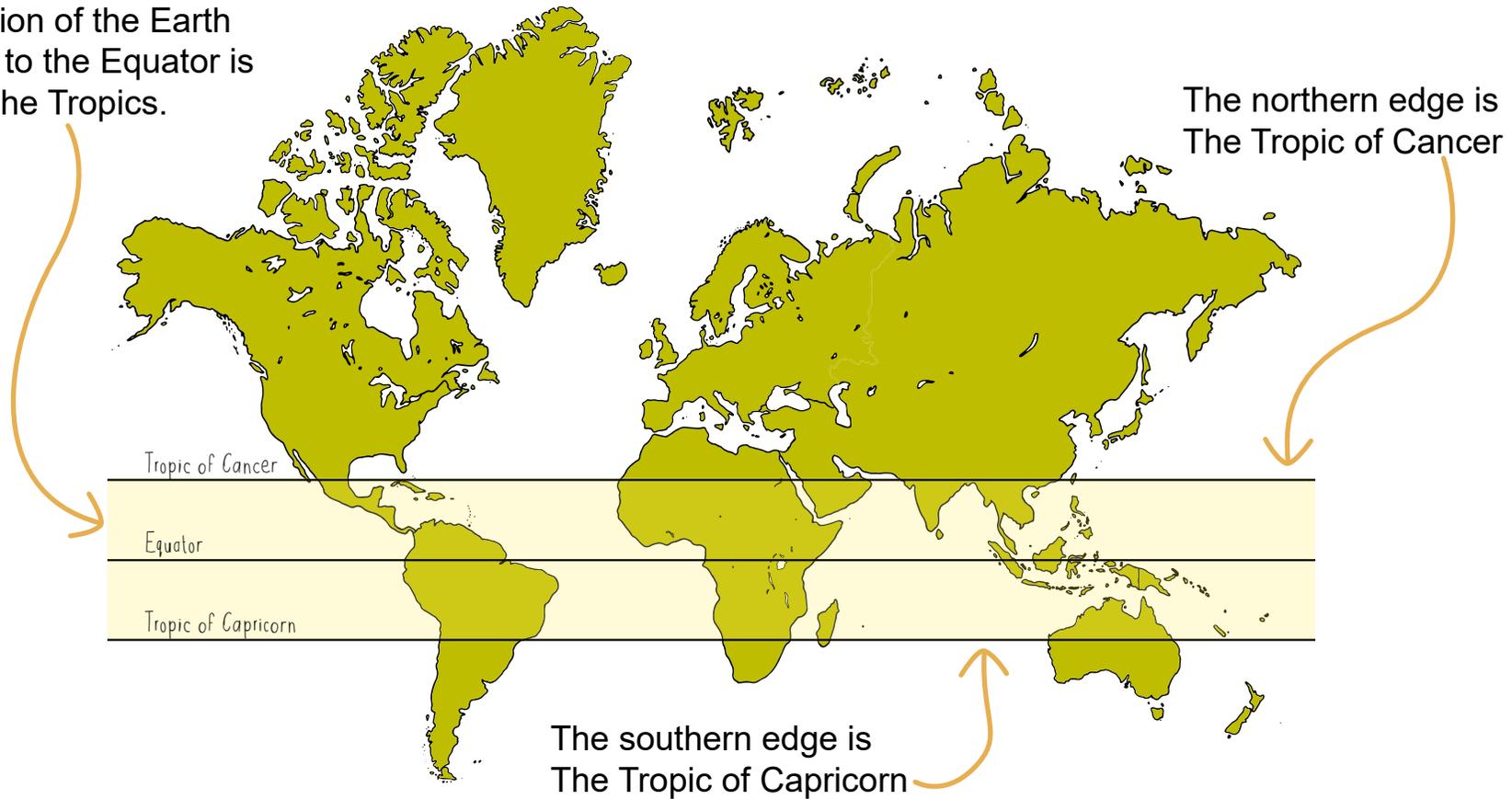
Where is the tropical rainforest found?



Why do you think the tropical rainforest is found within the Tropics?

Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn

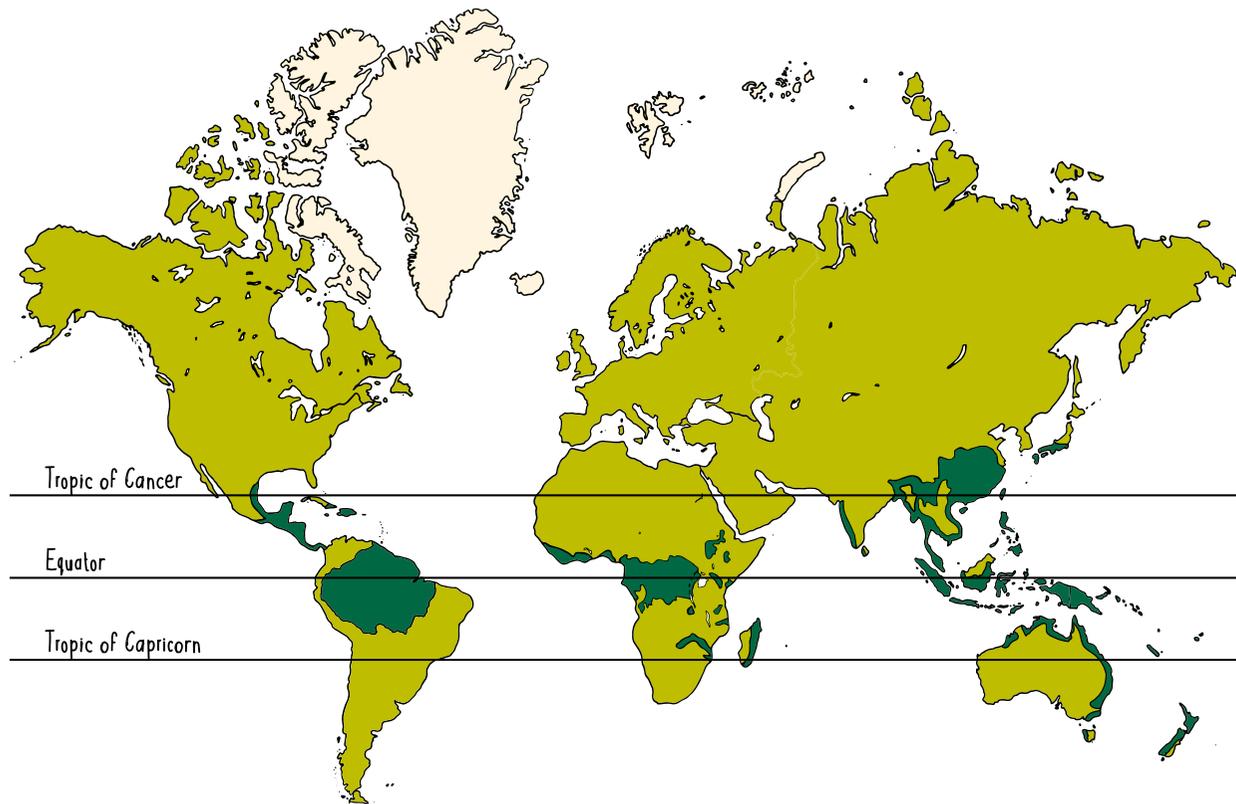
The region of the Earth nearest to the Equator is called The Tropics.



The tropics has the greatest exposure to the sun as it shines most directly on this part of the Earth.

Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn

The wettest areas are those closest to the **Equator**, where tropical rainforests are found. There is a great amount of rainfall throughout the year. It is drier in tropical regions further north or south of the Equator, where there may be wet and dry seasons.



The large amount of sunlight energy and water is converted by plants into new plant material. This provides energy for animals that feed on the plants and other animals that, in turn, feed on these animals.

Where are tropical rainforests in the world?



Bornean orangutan



Sumatran orangutan

I am found in the rainforests of Borneo and Sumatra



Jaguar

I am found in the rainforest of Brazil



Possum

I am found in the rainforest of Australia



Ecuador Amazon Parrot

I am found in the rainforest of Ecuador



Llama

I am found in the rainforest of Peru



Sloth

I am found in the rainforest of Brazil



Giant anteater

I am found in the rainforest of Guyana



Spider monkey

I am found in the rainforest of Venezuela



River dolphin

I am found in the rainforest of Bolivia



Anaconda

I am found in the rainforest of Mexico



Chimpanzee

I am found in the rainforest of Cameroon



Brown banana frog

I am found in the rainforest of Ghana



Okapi

I am found in the rainforest of Congo



Gorilla

I am found in the rainforest of Gabon

N.B. Some of these animals are also found in other countries too.

Where are tropical rainforests found in the world - activity

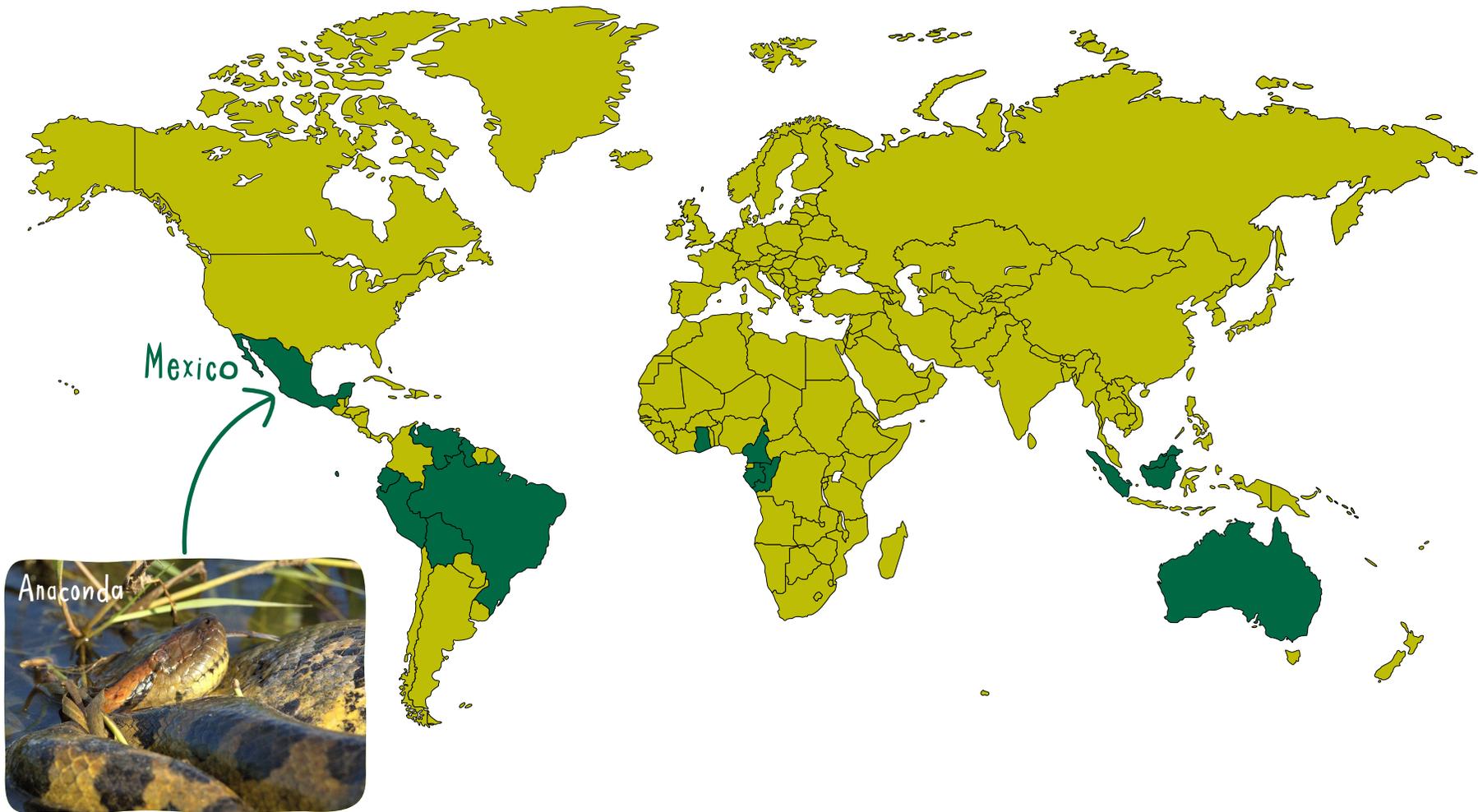
- Use the cards of animals who live in different tropical rainforests in the world to identify in which countries the tropical rainforests are found.



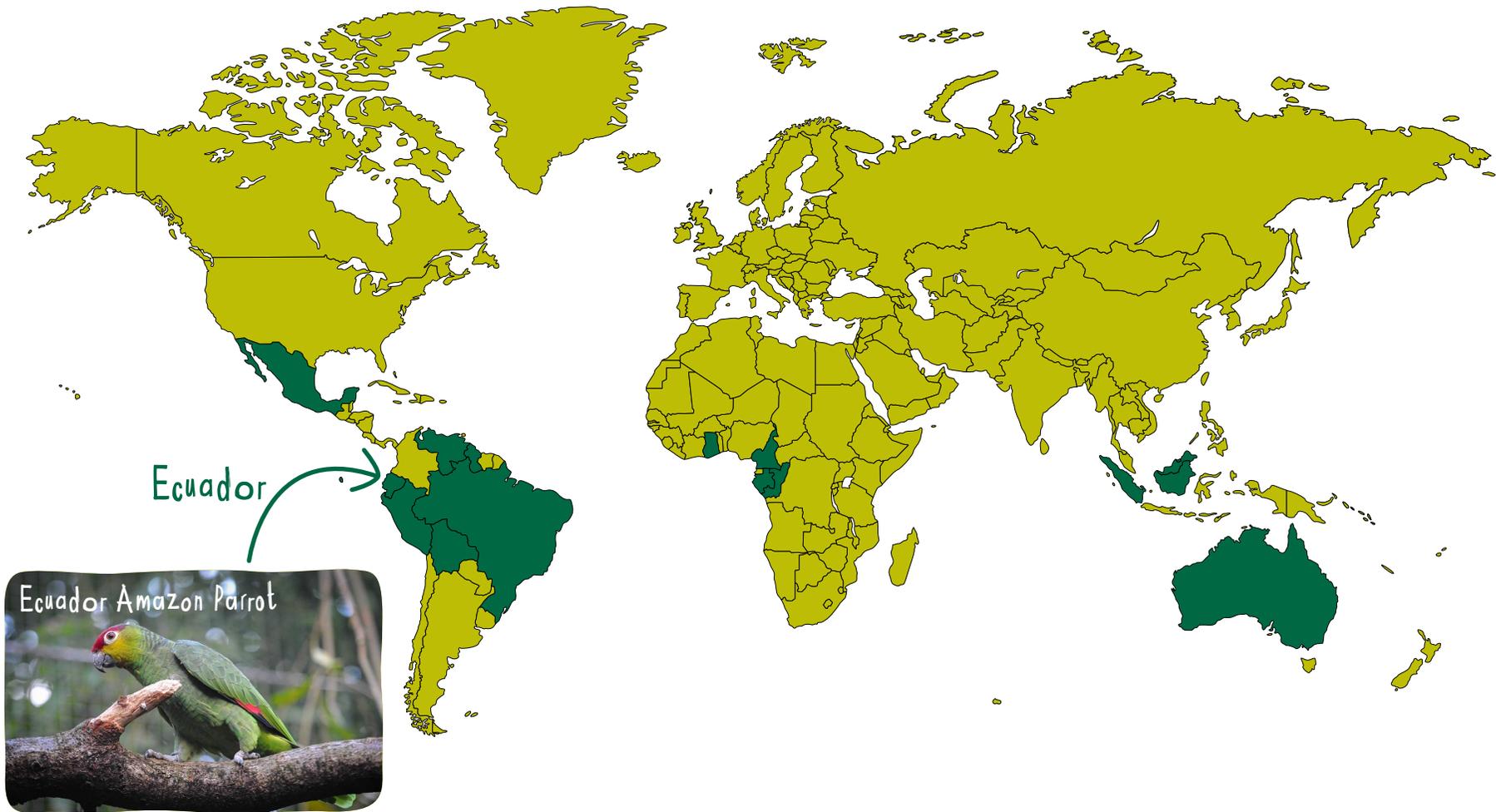
- Use an atlas/ world map to find these countries and write them on your worksheet: 'Where are tropical rainforests found in the world?'



Tropical rainforests of the world



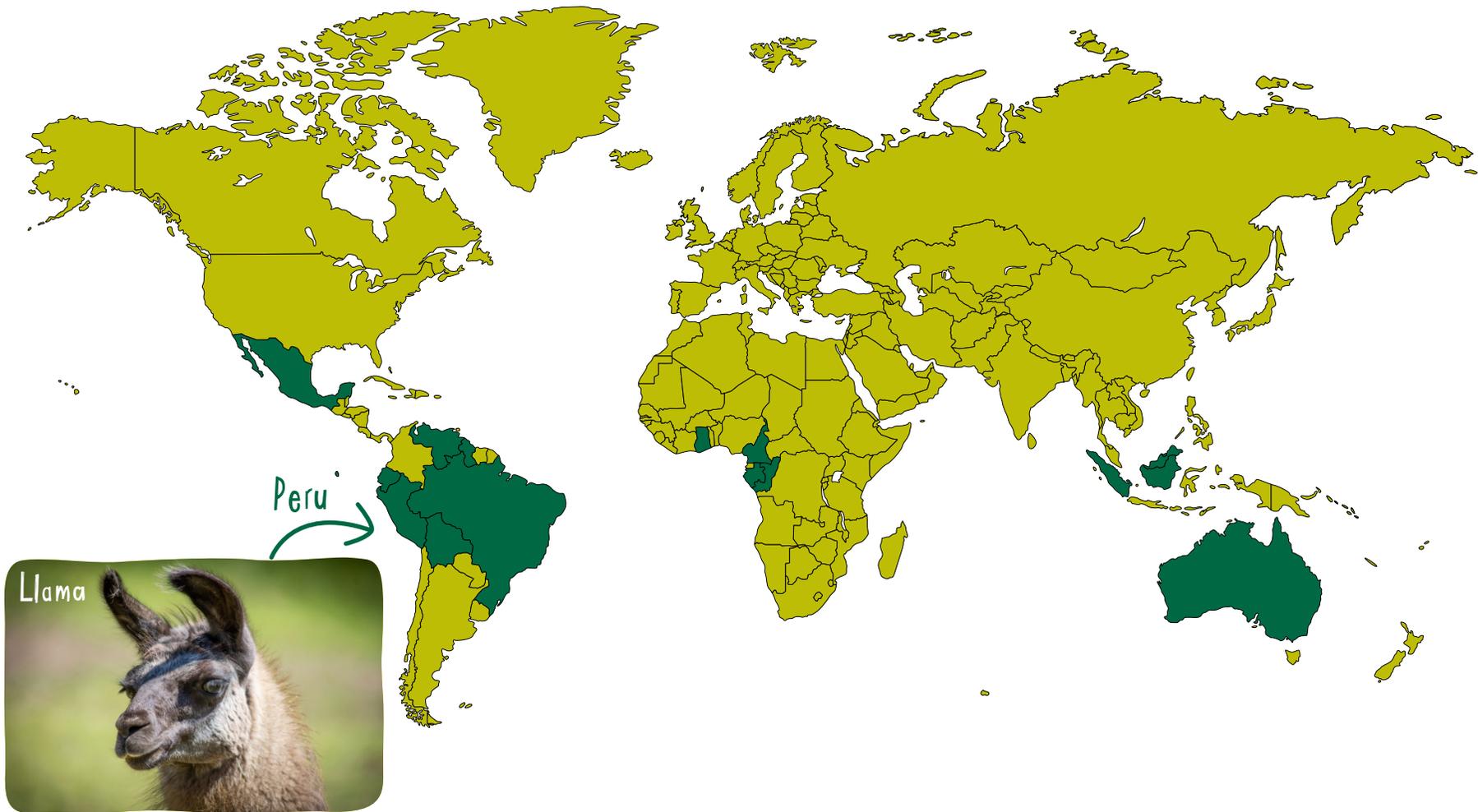
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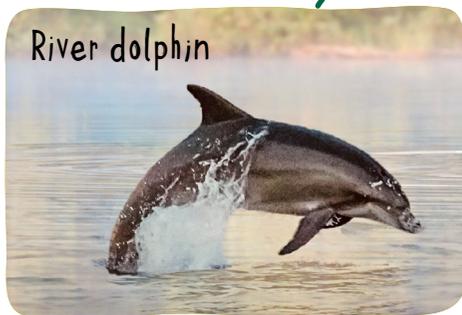
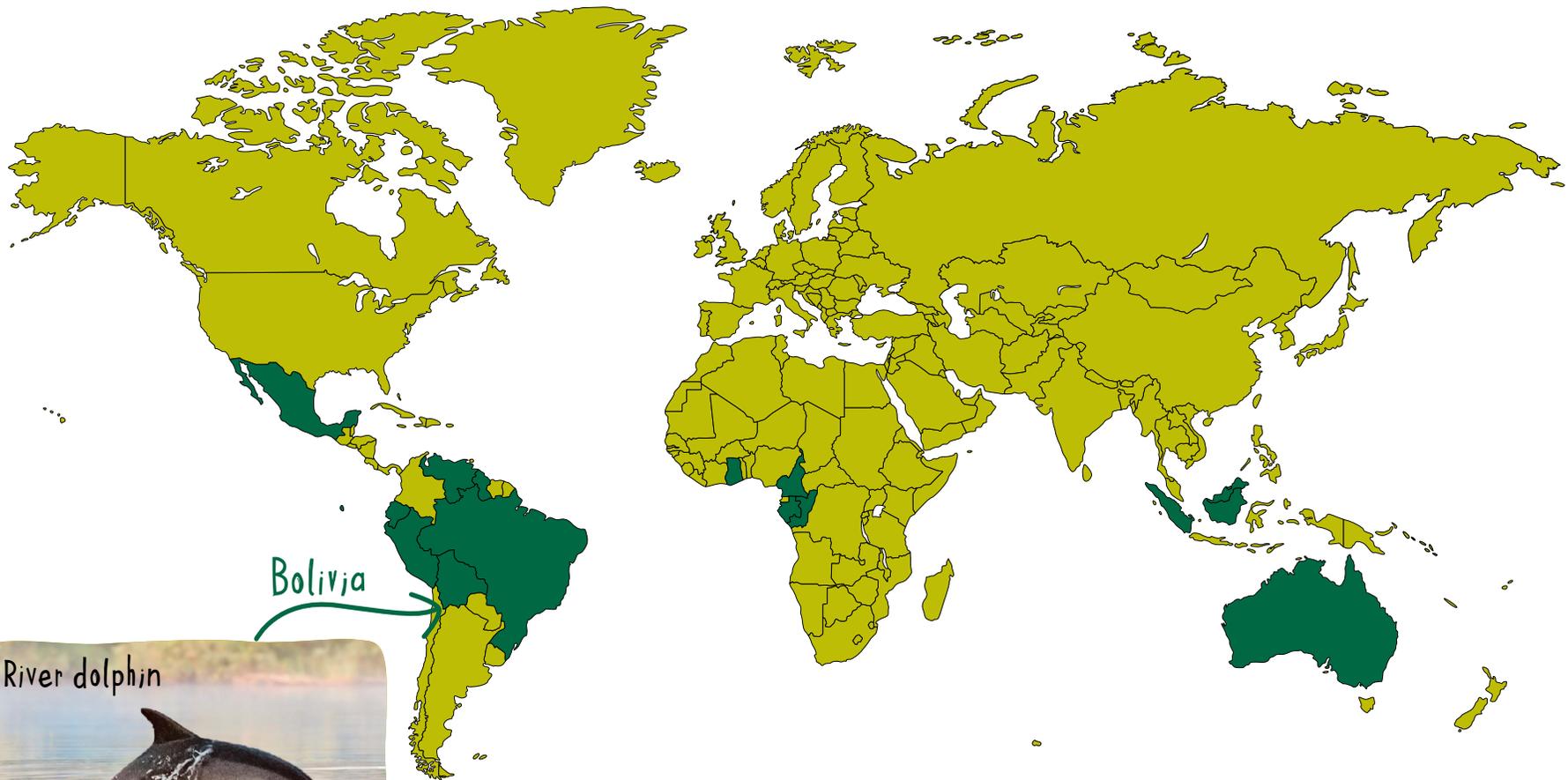
Ecuador

Ecuador Amazon Parrot

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