

Box 6.1d: Assessment questions

Geography: redevelopment of the rainforest

Your role

You and your group are representatives of the Kayapo Indians, the Government or the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). You are going to make suggestions to landowners of the rainforest about how the rainforest should be redeveloped. Choose who you want to be.

Your task

1. Produce a poster which will explain how you think the rainforest should be developed and which will persuade the landowners that this is what they should do. Remember that you have been asked to present the viewpoint of a particular group. In your poster you need to include:
 - a) an explanation of why the natural forest environment is under threat
 - b) possible alternative solutions
 - c) detail about the method which you are suggesting and why this would be the best solution
 - d) pictures and written information.
 2. Make a group presentation explaining your ideas. Every member of your group is expected to contribute to this presentation. After you have given your presentation, other pupils will have the opportunity to ask questions. You will be expected to provide answers to these questions.
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Content and group work checklist

1. Does the poster make an effective visual impact on the reader?
2. What viewpoint does it take? Is the message clear?
3. Does it give a detailed explanation of why the forest environment is under threat?
4. Does it offer a range of solutions?
5. Do you provide appropriate evidence to persuade the audience that your solution is a good one? Is your argument convincing?
6. Is the presentation clear? Do all members of the group participate?
7. What sort of questions do you ask and how well do you answer the questions asked of your group?

Language checklist

8. Is the written information on the poster accurately spelt?
9. Is the written information grammatically correct?
10. Is the speaker's pronunciation accurate (individual sounds, word stress)?
11. Does the speaker use sentence stress, rhythm and intonation to maintain the interest of the audience?
12. Does the poster presentation use the language of geography (specialised terms) appropriately?