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Lost in the Jungle

Your dream hiking vacation in the Amazon has become a nightmare.

Just a few hours ago, you were hiking with a friend. Then she slipped on some mossy rocks. Screaming, she started to slide down a steep slope. You tried to grab her hand, but you fell, too. Crashing through **dense**, thorny plants, you slid hundreds of feet down the slope. Finally, the terrifying ride came to an end. You tried to find a way back to the hiking **trail**, but every step you took led you farther away.

Now you are lost. Your only hope is to use your ...



... jungle survival skills.



A Jungle Environment

A jungle is a wild place filled with trees and other plants. As the plants grow, they tangle together.

A jungle **environment** is usually hot and rainy for most of the year. The air contains so much **water vapor** that it feels muggy, or **humid**. In fact, it feels like the air in a bathroom just after you've taken a hot shower.

There are areas of tangled jungle in many **rain forests**, including the Amazon. The Amazon rain forest in South America is the largest rain forest on Earth. It is home to about 40,000 different types of plants.



Giant kapok trees grow to 200 feet (61 m) tall in the Amazon rain forest.



Tangled jungle

In parts of the Amazon,
9 feet (2.7 m) of rain falls
every year.

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You are lost in a jungle. It is very hot, and rain is beating down. The jungle is home to deadly snakes and thousands of insects. The only way you will survive in this extreme place is to use your jungle survival skills.

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