

Activity - Who lives in the rainforest?

Introduce your pupils to Eliane Gomez and explore her life in Jacara, northern Brazil. Use this activity to get your pupils thinking about where they live, what they do, where they go each day and make comparisons with Eliane's life. It will encourage pupils to use directional language and develop their map skills.

Curriculum links:

Geography:

Use simple compass directions and locational and directional language to describe the location of features and routes on a map

PSHE:

Living in the wider world, learning about different groups and communities

Starter questions:

Where do you live?

What type of home do you live in?

What else is near your home?

How close do you live to your school?





Activity Sheet - A day in the rainforest

Elaine Gomez lives in the Amazon rainforest with her family. Carefully cut out Elaine's activities and put them in the right places on the map of her village.



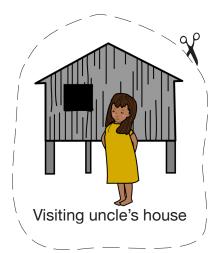




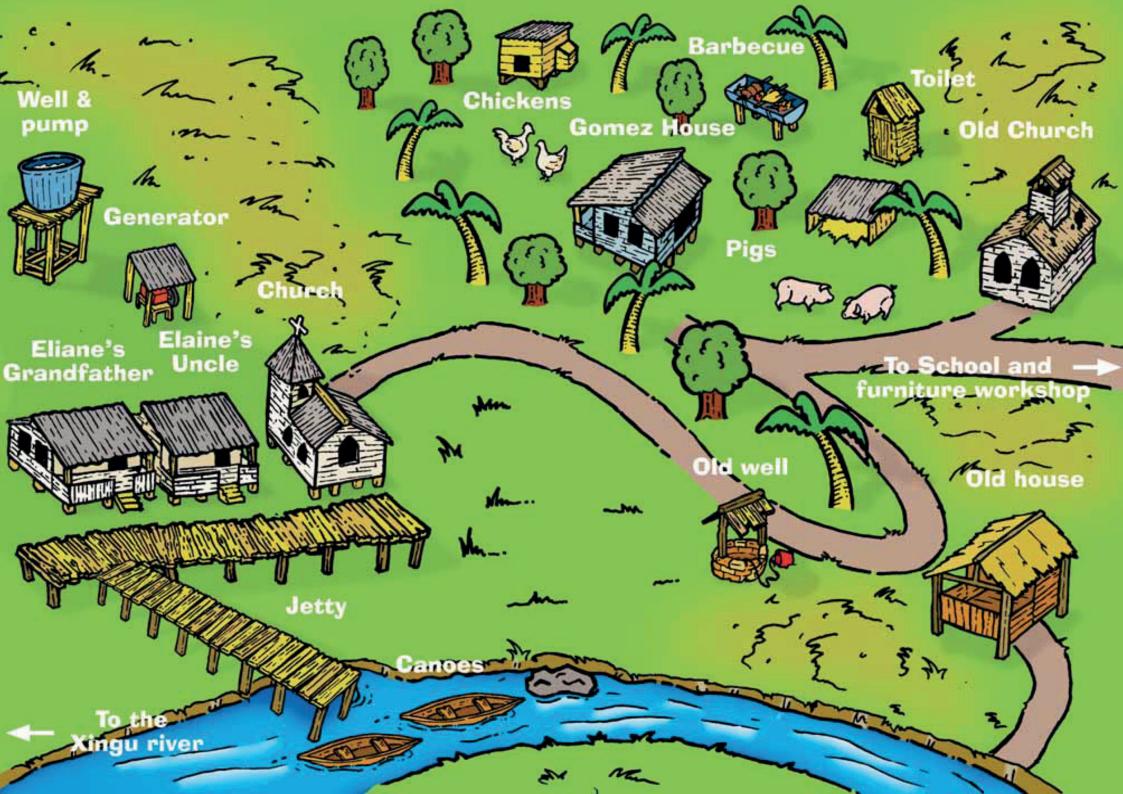














Activity Sheet - Giving directions

In pairs, give each other instructions on how to move from one location to another on the map. You will need to think about which way your partner should turn (right, left or straight), how far they should go, and any landmarks to look out for. Remember, you don't have to follow the paths!

Where are you?	Instructions	Where did you get to?
Old house	Walks towards the path. Turn left. Walk all the way along the path.	The church.

Activity Sheet - My map

Now think about where you live. Draw your own map showing your neighbourhood and the places that you go to. Start with your house and draw places nearer to your house first.		
Which of the things on Elaine's map can you find in your n	neighbourhood? Which things are different?	
Same	Different	