



Support units: Language of geography
Illustration 2: Vocabulary and spelling

Concept map

The diagram below shows a mixed ability group of Year 8 students' first attempt at constructing a concept map of a rainforest ecosystem. The lines between the main concepts show how they link with each other, and words written along the lines add information about what these links are.

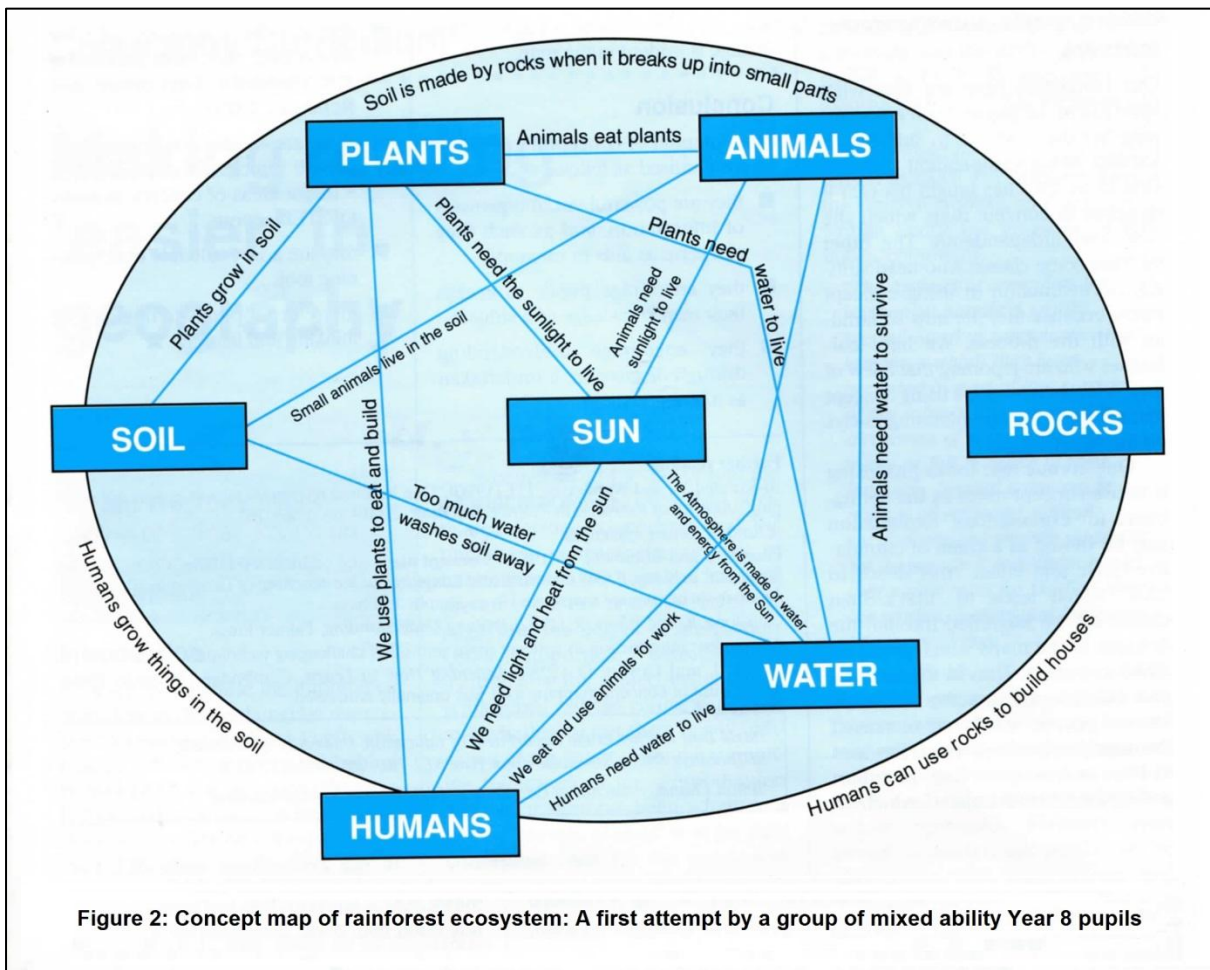


Figure 2: Concept map of rainforest ecosystem: A first attempt by a group of mixed ability Year 8 pupils

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