



The amazing Amazon jungle (true or false)

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The Amazon jungle has the nickname “Lungs of the Planet” because it produces more than 20% of the world’s oxygen.

(TRUE)

The Amazon jungle contains more than half a million species of insects and spiders.

(TRUE)

The Amazon jungle receives about five feet of rain during the rainy season each year.

(FALSE, The Amazon receives nine feet of rain during the rainy season each year.)

The number of edible fruits found in the rainforest is estimated at 3,000.

(TRUE)

The Amazon jungle contains the longest river system in the world.

(FALSE, the Amazon River is the second longest river system in the world.)

It is estimated that 1,000 people live in the Amazon jungle.

(FALSE, 250,000 people live in the jungle who speak approximately 170 different languages!)

The jungle touches 4 South American countries.

(FALSE, the jungle touches 9 countries in South America.)

About 50 tribes live within the jungle who have never had contact with the outside world.

(TRUE)