

This resource is for use in the Energy for Life Tropical House. The aim is to encourage the children to slow down and look for the animals (which can be very well hidden!) Where we have more than one individual it also gives the children the opportunity to practise their counting skills. The children look and count whilst the adult records the results. There are plants and structures included to guarantee that some things can always be seen! There is a scoring system based on how easy it to spot things on an average visit. The scores can be totalled and compared between your different groups for maths work back at school.

The resource links with several of the Early Learning Goals, particularly The World and Numbers.



(Animal numbers can change – the number of tick boxes are just a general guide)

## Teachers' guidance



Rosy periwinkle

On the right as you enter





#### Sprayer

Look up



#### Sloth

Has free reign of the whole house so look hard to find him!



# Sclater's crowned-pigeon

Usually on the forest floor – sometimes o the path



### Scissor tail

In main aquarium on lower level look closely their tail fins open and close like scissors.



**Tortoise** 

On the forest floor





Yellow throated frogs

At the bottom of the waterfall on In aquarium. the left just before leaving – very small look for movement!





#### **Crocodile monitor**

In the last room before leaving the building. Carry on through doors to view – often sits on the rocks on back wall



## In the Science Gallery

The journey from the main rainforest area to the ants and crocodile monitor and on to the exit, takes you through the Science Gallery.

This area has quite low light levels and several large screens. The first screen on the left is a popular one as it has cameras to show the heat being given off by our bodies. The next one along shows the poo from various different species and the last on the left is the nest area for the ants.



## I-spy in the Rainforest

Rosy periwinkle



1 point



Sprayer



1 point

Sloth



7 points

## Sclater's crowned-pigeon



1 point for each you see



1 point

## Tortoise



1 point for each you see



4 points

## Scissor tail



Yellow-throated frogs

10 points





4 points





Crocodile monitor



10 points

Did you spot any other animals when you were exploring the Tropical House?	Wille down any office drill hals you see.
What sounds did you hear whilst you were in the Tropical House?	
Did you hear the waterfall? Did you hear the frogs? Did you hear any birds?	Write down any of the sounds that you heard.

Write down any other animals you see.