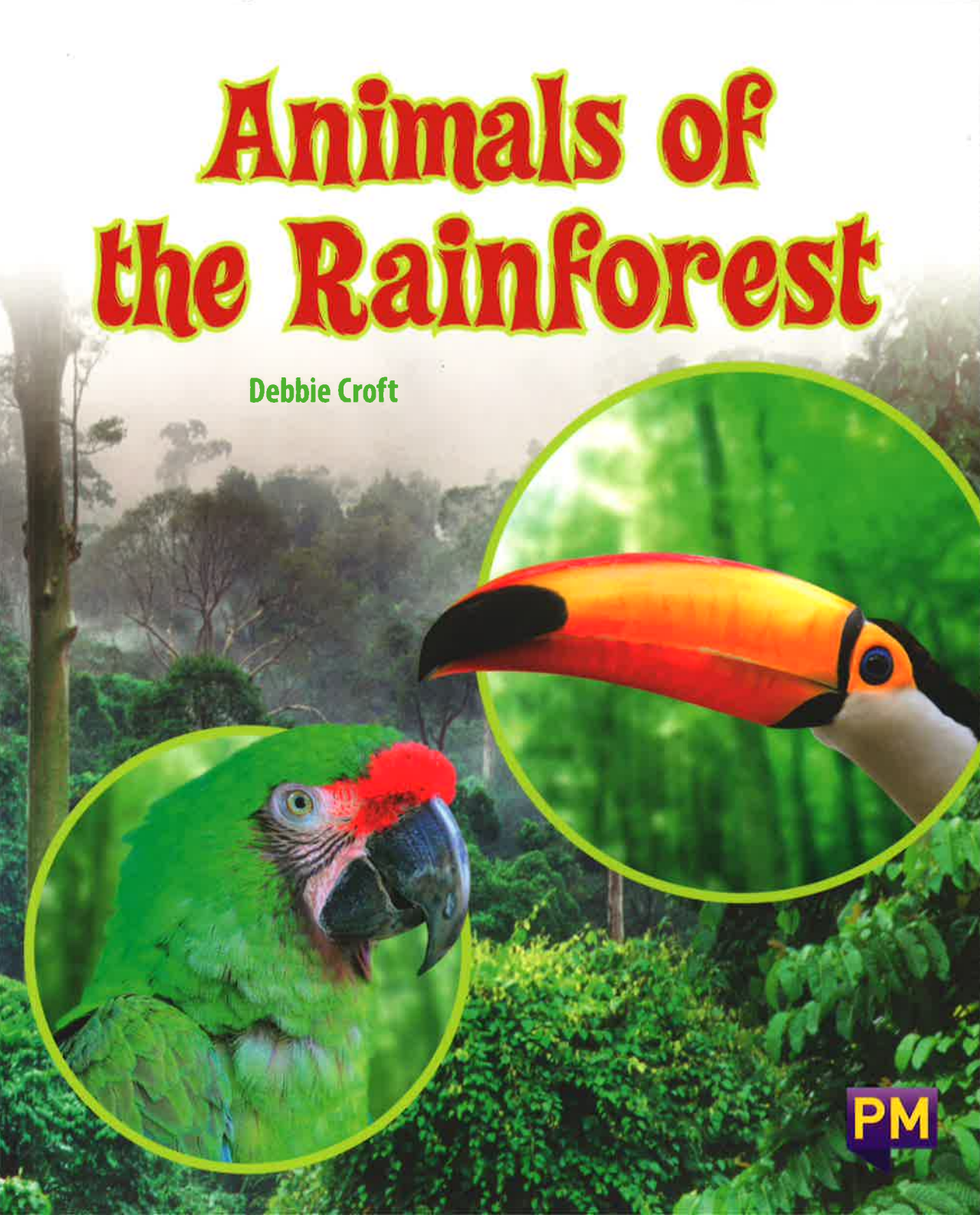
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Level 20

Running Words 529 **Text Type** Information Report (Informative)

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Retelling to encourage critical thinking about the content

Ask each student to retell the information report in his or her own words. Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Questions to reinforce meaning and stimulate discussion

Literal

1 Why do some monkeys look like spiders in the trees?
2 How do toucans use their sharp bills?
3 How do boa constrictors kill their prey?

Inferential

4 What do eagles do after they have snatched their prey in their claws?
5 Why do animals die when they are squeezed by a boa constrictor?
6 Why are the 'eyes' on butterflies' wings on the underneath side?
7 How does the sticky slime help to keep tadpoles safe?
8 Why do jaguars need to move quietly through the rainforest?

Applied Knowledge

9 What would happen to the animals and plants if rainforests were destroyed?

Links with other PM Guided Reading Books and Cards

Level 20	Card	Narrative	*Trapped!*
Level 20	Book	Poetry	*The Rainforest and Other Poems*
Level 20	Book	Information Report	*Lizards*
Level 20	Card	Poetry	*Animals of the World*

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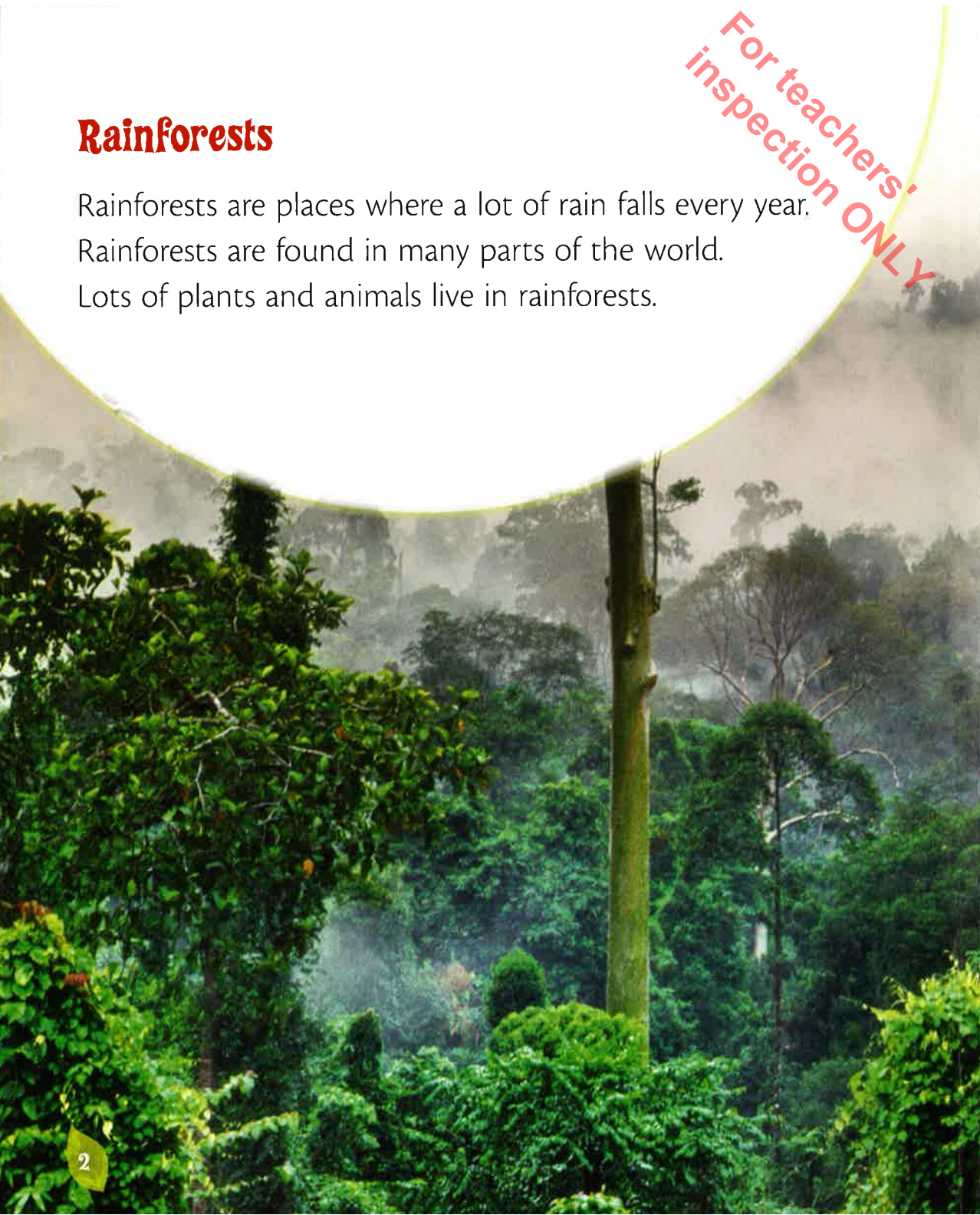
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Rainforests

Rainforests are places where a lot of rain falls every year.
Rainforests are found in many parts of the world.
Lots of plants and animals live in rainforests.



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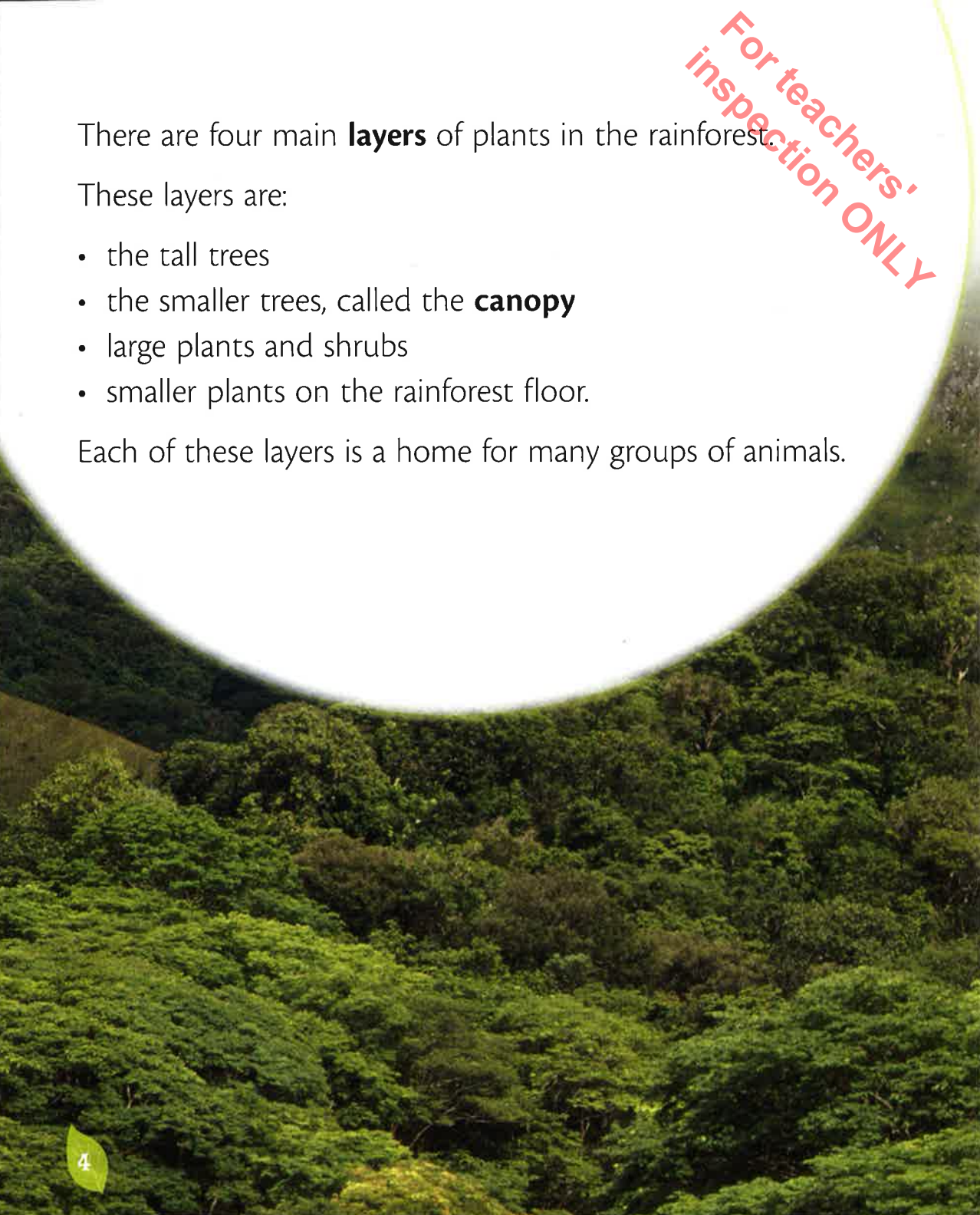
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There are four main **layers** of plants in the rainforest.

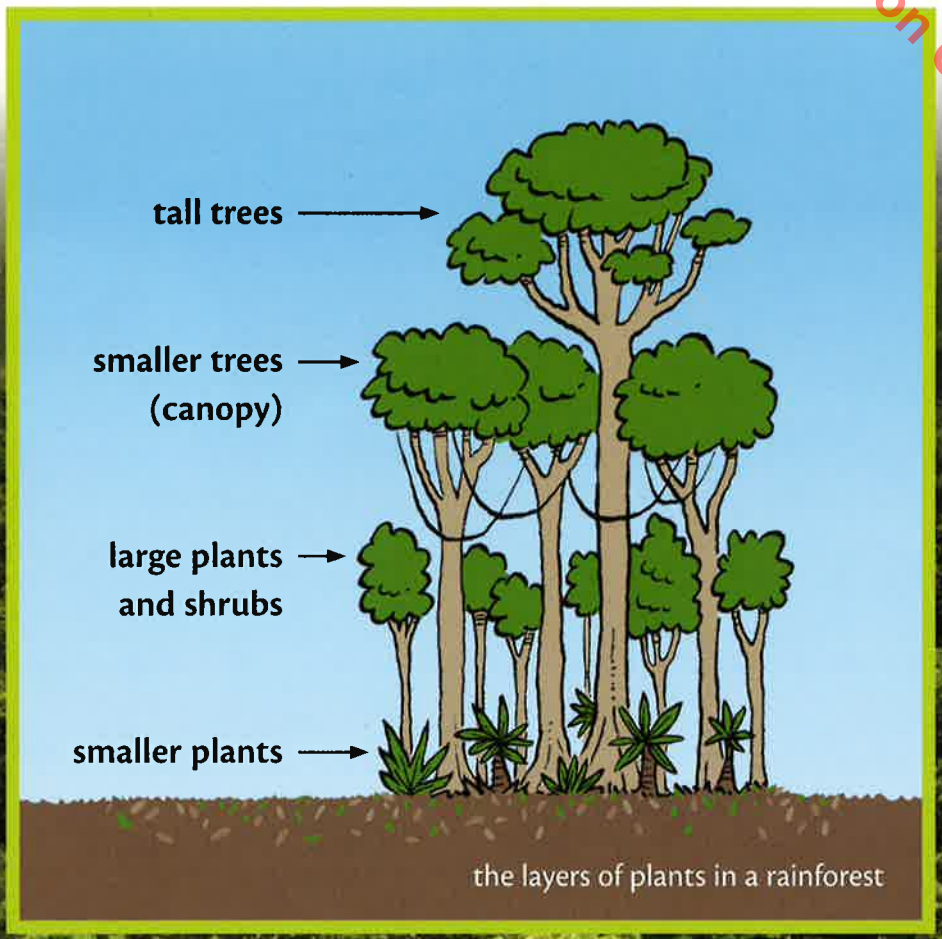
These layers are:

- the tall trees
- the smaller trees, called the **canopy**
- large plants and shrubs
- smaller plants on the rainforest floor.

Each of these layers is a home for many groups of animals.



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the layers of plants in a rainforest

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Animals in the Tall Trees

Eagles

Some of the largest birds in the rainforest are eagles.
They make huge nests in the tallest trees.

Eagles can see very well.
They fly in large circles high up in the sky.
Then they swoop down on their prey.
They snatch other birds, snakes and monkeys
with their strong claws.





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