You will need to print both A4 pages and A3 pages in order to build the complete rainforest. Depending on the class size, you might ask each student to choose one tree to build to add to the rainforest, or allow each student to make the whole set.

Options:

A. Students may colour in the designs before cutting out and building.

B. Students may cut out the pieces and paint over the shapes with their own designs, before building.

Glueing the paper together to make double-sided designs also makes the models a little more rigid. However if even more rigid models are wanted icecream sticks may be glued inside the canopy shapes.

Models will stand more securely if placed in a shallow box of dry sand, if a longer-lasting display is required.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Make trunks first, then glue canopies into the top of the trunks.

2. Vines can be made from string or wool, inserted through holes made in the canopy with a hole punch, and then twined around trunks and across to other trees.

2. Cut out animals and ferns and place them where they live in the rainforest. Canopy animals can be glued to the canopy. Ground animals can be glued to the back of a tree trunk, or made free standing if glued to heavier card folded to provide a base.
SHRUB TRUNK & FOLIAGE

Cut out around outside edge. Roll trunk with EDGE B inside, and glue EDGE A along this line.

Fold out tabs to help finished tree tree stand.

Cut out both tops and glue back to back. Glue bottom part of tab C inside top of trunk.
Cut out around outside edge. Roll trunk with EDGE B inside, and glue EDGE A along this line.
Cut out around outside edge. Roll trunk with EDGE B inside, and glue EDGE A along this line.

Fold out tabs to help finished tree stand.
PALM FRONDS
Cut out both and glue back to back. Glue tab inside top of palm trunk.
RAINFOREST TREE
CANOPY 1

Cut out and glue back to back. Glue tab inside top of a rainforest tree trunk.
RAINFOREST TREE
CANOPY 2

Cut out and glue back to back. Glue tab inside top of a rainforest tree trunk.
STRANGLER FIG CANOPY

Cut out and glue back to back. Paste tab inside top of Strangler Fig trunk.
RAINFOREST GROUND FERNS AND EPIPHYTIC FERNS

Fold under for base

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Fold under for base

Fold under for base
RAINFOREST ANIMALS

Colour in, cut out and place them where they live in the rainforest

Wompoo Fruit-dove  Topknot Pigeon  Regent Bowerbird  Fruit Bat

Carpet python

Fold under for base

Brush turkey

Tiger quoll

Glue tab behind log

Pademelon

Fold under for base