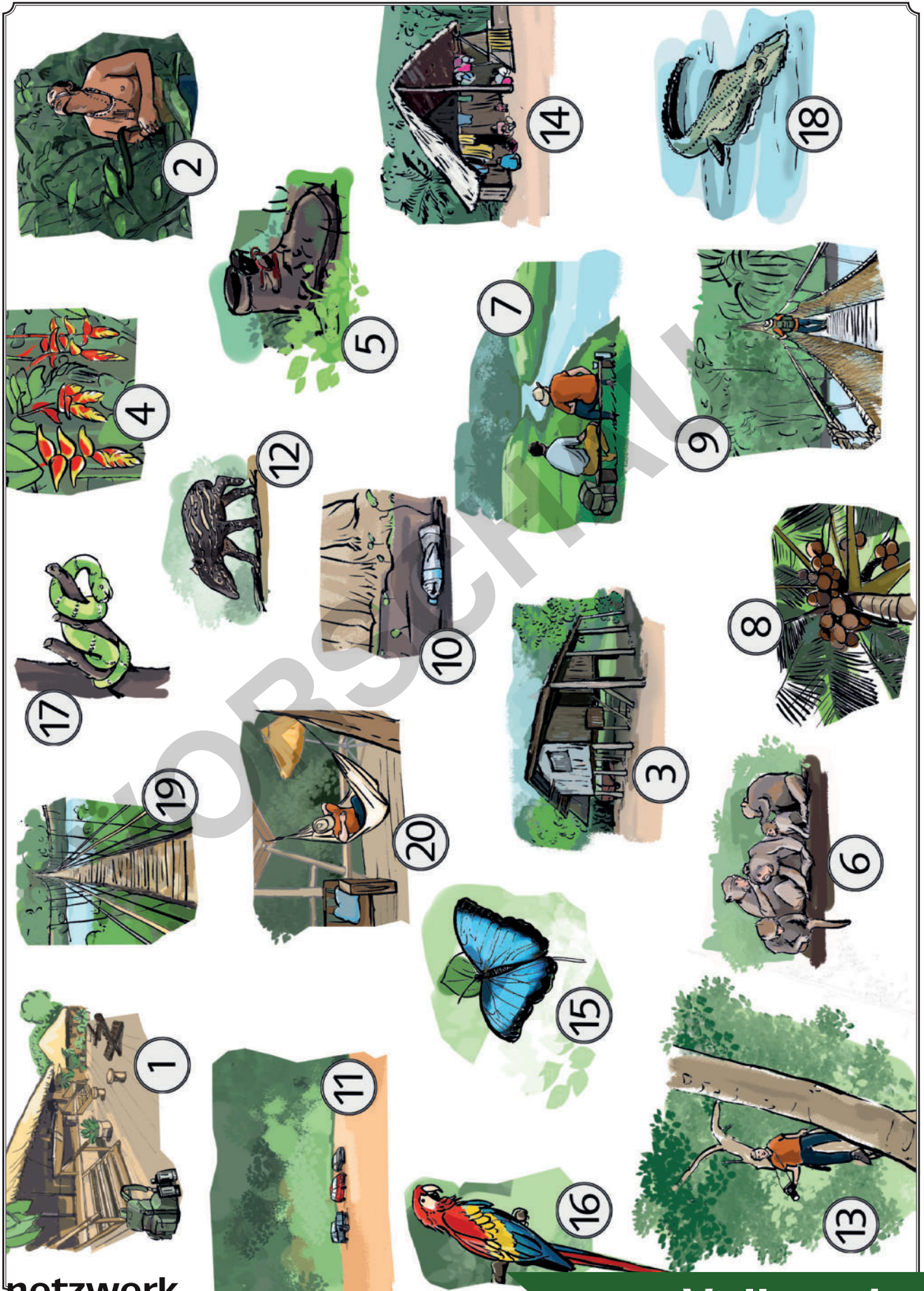


~ In the jungle – Lesespurlandkarte ~



~ In the jungle – Lesespurgeschichte (1) ~

Alexander Harris, a famous scientist, decides to go on an expedition to the Amazon region in Brazil. He often goes to the jungle because he wants to find out more about the life of the animals who are living there. This time he searches for a special type of monkey.

If you want to know if he finds the monkey, start reading at number 1.

1 Alexander Harris' trip starts early in the morning. At about 4 o'clock he gets up, takes his rucksack and meets his driver Gabriel in front of his little hotel. In the rucksack he has: a pair of binoculars, some water, a few cereal bars, a compass, insect spray, his camera and some medicine, just in case. They drive for more than three hours until they arrive at a place where they cannot go on by car.

2 This is an indigenous man who lives in the jungle. He is observing animals. Alexander and Gabriel do not meet him during their trip through the jungle.

3 On their way northwestwards they pass by an old hut with equipment of another explorer team. Old maps, walkie-talkies, books about plants and animals ... and a few cans with food. They leave the hut behind and go on walking. Suddenly Alexander stops! He sees them!

4 You have found a bunch of beautiful and colourful flowers that you cannot find in Europe. They are very interesting, but Alexander only does research on animals.

5 This is not an endangered animal. It's only an old shoe that some other explorers lost here in the jungle. Nothing interesting for Alexander. Go on searching!

6 He sees five cute monkeys. They seem like a little monkey family, the parents and three children. "Gabriel, here they are. We are so lucky!" Alexander shouts. But how can he take a picture from above?

7 The two men look at the pictures of the tapir and then go on walking. After a few minutes they arrive at a river. How can they cross the river? They decide to sit down, think about it and eat a little snack. Alexander eats his cereal bars and Gabriel eats a banana and some nuts for breakfast.

8 You have found a beautiful palm tree with coconuts. Coconut water or juice is so tasty and also very healthy! But today Alexander and Gabriel do not see any palm tree. Please go back to the last stop.

9 They arrive at the bridge and cross the river. This was the safest option. First task done for today! After crossing the bridge, the two men decide to walk in northwestern direction because a man in the village told Alexander that another team of explorers saw monkeys in this area.

10 This is only an old plastic bottle that Gabriel has found here, so nothing interesting for him. He just thinks that it is extremely sad how much plastic trash they see here in the jungle. Go on searching for the monkeys!

11 Here at this parking area they have to leave the car and go on walking. Alexander is really lucky that he put on his trekking boots, "Gabriel, it's so good that I have these boots. I thought about wearing sandals, that would be difficult now." In the background Alexander can already see something colourful ...

12 Alexander is still thinking about the beautiful parrot, but now he is listening. What could that be? Then they see a small tapir that walks around a tree and tries to find something to eat. What an amazing animal! Alexander quickly takes out his camera and takes a picture. In the background the two men hear the sound of some splashing water ...

13 Alexander is happy because he finally found the monkeys! He climbs on a tree to have a better view. But, he must be careful not to make too many sounds so that the monkeys don't run away. He takes hundreds of pictures while Gabriel is waiting behind a bush. On their way back, another little highlight is waiting for Gabriel who loves butterflies!

14 This is a hut of people who belong to an indigenous tribe of the Amazon region. Alexander and Gabriel don't want to disturb them. Please go back to the last place.

15 Gabriel suddenly sees a beautiful blue Morpho Butterfly sitting on a leaf. He grabs Alexander's camera and tries to take a picture. But the butterfly is quicker, he flies away. Alexander only wants to go home because he is already dreaming of the hammock in the hotel ...

16 The first animal they see is an extremely beautiful parrot. Woowow – it is so colourful. The feathers are yellow, blue and red. He looks at the two men and flies away. He leaves so fast that Alexander cannot even take a picture of him. Suddenly they hear strange sounds! It sounds like a crying baby and some footsteps!

17 Here you see a snake. Snakes can be dangerous, so please move on. Today Alexander and Gabriel want to find the monkeys!

18 Suddenly Gabriel shouts, "Alexander, look! Over there, in the water!" Alexander still has his breakfast in his mouth, but he stops eating immediately. He is shocked! There is a crocodile in the water. "Take out your camera quickly!" Alexander screams. He manages to take a picture and both men are glad that the crocodile didn't see them. Gabriel takes out a map and sees that about two kilometres down the river there must be a bridge.

19 There is also a second bridge crossing the river, but this bridge is way too far in the north. This is not where the two men want to go. Please find the right bridge.

20 In the evening when they arrive back at the hotel, Alexander just takes a shower and then relaxes in a hammock on the terrace. They walked about 30 kilometres today, but Alexander is very happy that he finally saw the monkeys and has a lot of pictures and videos.

My reading trail:

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Solution word: In the evening Alexander and Gabriel realise that they have a lot of bites. Ouch, that hurts! ☹

Vocabulary

binoculars	Fernglas	can	Dose
parrot	Papagei	view	Sicht, Blick
explorer	Forscher	indigenous	einheimisch, indigen
cereal bar	Müsliriegel	tribe	Stamm
northwestwards	nordwestwärts	to disturb	stören
equipment	Ausrüstung	leaf	Blatt
endangered	bedroht	hammock	Hängematte