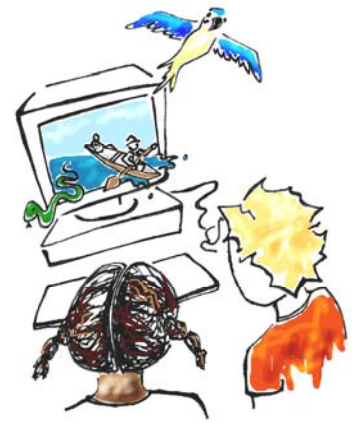


THE WILDERNESS CLASSROOM ORGANIZATION

BRINGING EDUCATION ADVENTURES INTO THE CLASSROOM

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Rainforest Assemblies by the Wilderness Classroom

Dave Freeman has spent the last 7 years exploring the world's rainforests. Numerous expeditions to the Amazon help him bring the rainforest to life in a meaningful way that will leave your students anxious to learn more. During the 2006/2007 school year Dave conducted over 50 school visits, bringing the wonders of exploration and the Amazon to over 5,000 students. Dave and his team members use interactive activities as well as photos, videos, sounds, stories, and artifacts collected during expeditions to help students understand how plants, animals, and people live in rainforest.

Plus, students will learn how their lives are connected to the world's rainforest by the foods students eat, products they use, and even the air they breathe.



A student demonstrates how to use a traditional hunting tool called a blow dart gun during a presentation about the Amazon Rainforest.

After a school visit you will be able to:

- Recognize the rainforest's allure and biodiversity
- Identify foods and materials you use that come from the rainforest
- Describe a rainforest, including its climate, plants, animals, and people
- Discuss the relationship between rainforests, global warming, and other world issues
- Help save the rainforests through personal action
- Engage in live online expeditions, including the Trans-Amazon Expedition

Student presentations

Depending on your needs and interests, our program can last from 30 minutes to a full day. Generally 50 to 60 minutes with each group of students is ideal. We can engage classes individually or give a presentation to your whole school. When presenting to a large age range we prefer to break students into groups. For example we might engage grades K-3 in one assembly and grades 4-8 in second assembly.

Presentations include:

- Photos, videos, and other audio visual media
- Worksheets, and educational activities
- Interactive activities like comparing rainfall in your area to rainfall in the Amazon rainforest, using a traditional blow dart gun, trying to move as slow as a sloth, and estimating the size of the largest snake in the world will help students learn about and appreciate the world's rainforests
- Time for students and teachers to ask questions
- Basic instruction on how to engage in our learning adventures

Cost:

\$500 for a half-day visit. Teacher training is also included at no additional cost. Call Dave at 312-505-9973 or email dave@wildernessclassroom.com with questions to discuss availability. There may be additional travel expenses, but we try to keep these to a minimum by visiting several schools during one trip.

What are other educators saying about us?

Dave was excellent and presented all information in a very kid-friendly manner. On a scale of 1 to 10, Mr. Freeman's presentation was an 11.

Colleen Hovanec
Principal
J. E. Fritz Elementary
Lancaster, PA

This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to experience traveling to the rain forest—a journey they would not be able to afford. The cost was more than reasonable. It was easy to schedule and Dave was very accommodating to meet our needs.

Janet Blanco
Chair of Assembly Committee
General Mitchell Elementary
Cudahy, WI

I love that my children have been exposed to a world beyond their immediate own, and it gives them motivation to want more out of life and themselves.

6th grade teacher
Cicero, IL

Thank you for that opportunity to learn about a really interesting place when I was still in school. It made me feel like I was on vacation to a place I've never been.

Margot
5th grade student