



Role Card 1

You work for the World Wildlife Fund. You are concerned about the toucan and the extinction of other rain forest animals. You can see that the list of endangered animals is getting larger and larger. You have been working for the Wildlife Fund for 15 years. You are feeling that the situation is getting desperate.

Role Card 2

You are a person who lives in the rain forest. You come from a very poor family. In order to meet the needs of your family, you decide to farm the rich soil underneath the rain forest. It is necessary for you to cut down the trees in order to plant your crops. The crops you plant will help put food on the table for you and your 15 family members. The money you earn selling the crops also will help to pay for medicine for your sick mother.

Role Card 3

You are a lumberjack who works for a lumber company. You have been a lumberjack in the rain forest for 30 years. You know no other business. You have always cut down the trees. You use the money that you earn as a lumberjack to feed your 8 children and to help take care of your grandchildren.

Role Card 4

You are a lumber company president. You have been in business in the rain forest for more than 25 years. All the money you earn is made by chopping down the rain forest. More than 50 lumberjacks and their families depend on you and your company for their living

Role Card 5

You are a scientist who does research on the world's atmosphere. You have found that the rain forests around the world produce 40% of the world's oxygen. Without oxygen the health of people around the world would decline. You are very concerned because 115 square miles of rain forest are being destroyed each day.

Role Card 6

You are a worker in the bauxite mines. You dig the bauxite out of the soil so that it can be made into aluminum cans. The bauxite is found underneath the rain forests. After all the trees of the rain forest are cut down and cleared, you and your fellow workers mine the bauxite. You are not making a lot of money, but it is enough to feed you and your mother and three sisters. Your father was killed in a mining accident. You believe that this is the only job that available to you.

Role Card 7

You are a medical research scientist who is developing a new medicine that would help people fight cancer. You get the necessary resources to make this medicine from a rare plant in the rain forest. It is getting more and more difficult to obtain this plant because the rain forests are being destroyed. You are concerned that if this continues you will no longer be able to produce this cancer treatment.