

JEWELS OF THE RAINFOREST

Purple-throated
mountain gem

Blue-throated
golden-tail

Snowcap

Fiery-throated

Violet
crowned
woodnymph

Green-fronted
lance-bill

Green
hermit

Long-billed
starthroat

Hi kids!
Here's the meanings
of the Spanish words
in my book

Costa Rica

In 1987 a group of Swedish school children decided to buy the rain forest in Montverde, Costa Rica, in order to save it. Now thousands of children from all over the world helped protect 300 sq. kilometers. Children, you are inspiring! That's kid power!

Hola (O-la): Hello

Buena suerte (Bway-na swer-tay):
Good luck

Vete (Be-tay): Go away

Muy grande (Mui gran-day): You're too big

Qué pasa (Kay pa-sa): What is happening?

No está aquí (No es-ta a-ki): She's not here

Adiós (A-dee-os): Good-bye

No problema (No pro-blai-ma): No problem

Atención (Ah-ten-sjon): Hey! Pay attention!

Jewels of the rain forest

Hummingbirds are the earth's smallest birds. They are iridescent, which means their colors change as light hits them from different angles. It is the only bird that can hover, fly backwards and fly upside down. It sips sugary nectar from inside flowers with its long bill. Its bill often fits the shape of the flower. Its nest is a tiny cup made from moss, lichen and spiderwebs. The hummingbird egg is the size of a pea.

Frogs in the rain forest are jewel-like because of their bright colors and shiny skins. The bright colors warn predators that they are poisonous! There are 175 species of amphibians in Costa Rica.

Like jewels, these sparkling beauties are precious and some are very rare. When rain forest is protected, their chances of survival are greater.

Granular glass
frog

Strawberry
poison dart frog

Red-eyed tree
frog

Green
poison dart frog