



**THE BIRMINGHAM  
BOTANICAL  
GARDENS**  
TURN OVER A NEW LEAF

# **Tropical Rainforest Primary Worksheets**

**Focus on:  
Plant Products**

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Can you find plants that we can use in many different ways?



I might put this climbing plant on my dinner.

BLACK PEPPER

This plant gets me around! Look for  
cut marks on the stem.

RUBBER



My dad might have a hat made from this plant. It looks  
like a palm but it isn't!

PANAMA HAT PLANT



This plant can be used to stuff teddy bears and life-  
jackets. One of the tallest rainforest trees.

KAPOK



I might have seen people dancing with these skirts on.  
These skirts are popular in Hawaii!

HULA SKIRT PLANT

Examples of other useful plants change from time-to-time and might include:

Taro - food

Annatto - a food colouring

Vanilla - food, perfume, toothpaste

Ginger - food, medicine

Papaya - food

Banana - food

Cassava - food

Cardamom - spice, medicine

Coffee - drink

Kola Nut - drink



# The Tropical House - Plants We Use

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H \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ plant



Can you find some other useful plants? How do we use them?