Journey into Panger!

Trapped in 'The Lost World'

Survival and endurance against the odds

The Challenge

You are stranded on the top of a flat topped mountain—it is called Mount Auyántepui or 'Devil's Mountain'—in the Guyana Highlands in Venezuela.

You and your companions are exploring for gold that is thought to be in a river that flows across the top of the mountain.

You all arrived on the mountain by aeroplane, no-one had ever landed an aircraft on the mountain before and when you attempted to land you found that the surface was swampy and your plane just got stuck in the vegetation— see pictures below:



Information Sheet 1

Auyántepui is a very strange mountain. It is rather like a huge castle—it has high, wall-like cliffs nearly all the way round. These are very high, mostly around 400 meters, and some are considerably higher.

The mountain is heart shaped and is roughly 47 km long and 27 km wide.

Much of the time it is covered in cloud and mist and it rains on the mountain most days—so it is swampy and damp, often windy and although it never freezes, it can get quite cold at night.

Between the areas of bare rock there are areas of low vegetation and bushes, but no trees. There are a few small animals living there as well as a couple of species of reptiles and any number of insects.



Information Sheet 2

The plane is stuck in the swamp and cannot be moved—you will not be able to move it.

There are some supplies in boxes that you dropped on the mountain a week ago. These boxes have some basic rations and some equipment—you will need to find these and use what is in them.

In your pack you will find:

- A map showing the area and the scale of the problem.
- Photographs of the area will help you to understand what it's like in the place where you have been stuck.
- You will need to use these documents to understand the problems you are going to face.
- Look very closely at these, there are clues that will help you.

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How are you going to survive and escape from the mountain and get back to base camp?

Your tasks

These are the tasks that you need to complete.

Once the plan has been completed and you are all happy with it you need to do these tasks:

Plan for survival and escape

Make sure that the plan has been agreed by each member of the group.

Interview

Two of the group should work on the scripting, performance and filming of an interview about the experience on the mountain.

Journal

Each member of the group should keep a journal or a diary in which they record their thoughts and feelings as the expedition proceeds

Art work

Sketches, maps, designs and paintings can be included in the finished poster

Poster

At the end of this project your group will have produced a large number of items. These should be presented to the rest of the group in the form of a large poster.

See separate task cards in your pack and decide who is going to do what.
All tasks must be completed.

| Task record sheet | | |
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| | Who is responsible | complete |
| Task I The Master Plan | | |
| Task 2 Personal Writing | | |
| Task 3 Art Work | | |
| Task 4 Film | | |
| Task 5 PowerPoint | | |
| Task 6 Poster | | |