



Survivor

Grades 4-6

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Using the fantasy of a reality survivor program students learn how to survive in the rainforest by utilizing what can be found in nature.

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Characters

Survivor Group 1 (3-5)

Survivor Group 2 (3-5)

Survivor Group 3 (3-5)

Narrator 1 (2-4)

Narrator 2 (2-4)

Camera Crew (2-5)

(Scene opens in the middle of the Amazon rainforest)

Narrator 1

Welcome to the Survivor Show. Today we are going to get back to our survivors who have been in the Amazon Rainforest for 3 whole hours. Our camera crew is filming from a discreet location in the rainforest so that they are undetected by the survivors. Camera crew can you hear me?

Camera Crew

Roger, we read you. Are we set to go live?

Narrator 2

Before we take a look in the rainforest we want to remind you to call 1-800-rainforest and pledge your support to help preserve the rainforest. If you call within 5 minutes you will receive this lovely
(NOTE: *Have students decide what give-away should be. Examples would be whistle used by Ms. Gym teacher for 4 years, Ms. principles coffee cup, etc., something the students find humorous as a giveaway.*)

Camera Crew

Come on step it up we're losing light.

Narrator

Okay fine, here we go folks live from the rainforest.

(Survivor contestants walking through the forest tired and hot with backpacks)

(animals and trees react silently as lines are read as noted)

Survivor Group 1

Oh these mosquitos are awful! (waving hands over head)
(Trees put hands on either side of face and shake heads)

Survivor Group 2

Oh quit complaining, you're the one who wanted to come on this stupid survivor show!

Survivor Group 3

Yeah and now we're stuck in a rain forest.

(trees and birds put hands on either side of face and shake heads)

Survivor Group 2

We couldn't bring any of the things we need.

Survivor Group 3

I don't know how they expect us to survive out here

Survivor Group 1

No kidding! We don't have mosquito repellent!

(waving hands over head)

Survivor Group 2

No hats to keep this hot sun off our heads.

(trees shake their leaves gently)

Survivor Group 3

...and no sodas. I wish I had a nice cold

(insert beverage of choice)

(trees ring their leaves out)

Survivor Group 1

Yeah well I have a blister on my foot and don't have any cream to put on it and I have a head ache.

(trees open one of their leaves)

Survivor Group 2

You think you have it bad, my ipod batteries are dead..no music.

(Birds look at each other and shrug shoulders)

Survivor Group 3

How do they expect us to survive out here?

Survivor Group 2

Look everyone calm down the producers of this show wouldn't just leave us here without things we need. Let's take a rest under this big tree by the water.

(all plop down and fall asleep one by one as bird noises begin)

Narrator

(in a whisper) As the survivor contestants fall asleep the magic of the rain forest takes over to help soothe the tired travelers.

(The water comes to life.. making gentle sounds and waves to soothe tired minds and bodies.)

Water Spirits (come to life from the water and begin a little dance around the sleeping group, unraveling a piece of fabric with the message "Think Different" written on it)

Birds (Fly around the group)

Now this group needs our help.

Trees

I think they need glasses or something. Everything they think they don't have is right here in the forest.

Birds

Trees maybe if you cool them off they can calm down and be open to some new ideas about the rain forest so we can help them.

(Trees wave their leaves at sleeping group)

Birds

Maybe if we tell them what they need to know when they are calm and sleeping it will sink in.

Water Spirits 1

First of all this group wanted mosquito repellent.

(Stands over Survivor Group I waving her hands)

When you wake up you will realize that to keep mosquitos away all you need is natural oil extracted from the Andiroba tree which grows throughout the Amazon rain forest.

Water Spirits 2

This one needed hats. When you wake up please see that all of the materials you need for a hat are right here.

(points to leaves that he turns into a hat by tying together)

This group wanted a soda. When you wake up please know that you can get a refreshing drink from drinking the juice of this passion fruit.

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Water Spirit 2

This group complained that they had no music.

(water and tress all make a sounds, birds join the chorus)

I am sure when you wake up you will appreciate the sounds of nature where all of our music came from.

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This is extraordinary! Never before seen on TV, the magic of the rainforest! If you are excited about this and want to continue to support the rainforest call now with a pledge to support the rainforest!

Camera crew

They get it! Cut to us before it gets dark!

Narrator

Right. Now back to our program to see how our survivor contestants are feeling after their nap.

Survivor Group 2 (wakes up first)

Man I had the strangest dream.

Survivor Group 3

Me too!

Survivor Group 1

My headache is gone! My blisters don't hurt, and the mosquitos are gone!

Survivor Group 2 (touches his head to find a hat made of leaves)

Hey what's this? My head is cool!

Survivor Group 3

Listen to all the sounds. It's like listening to my Ipod.

(picks up fruit from the ground bites into it)

Wow, this is good! Here try it! It's better than (insert soda/juice of choice).

(Water spirits begin to waft around with their fabric sign that says "Think Different", all survivors stop and stare, look at each other, shrug their shoulders and begin moving with the water spirits. The birds and trees shake hands and say "well done")

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Well folks it looks like our survivor group has changed their perspective about the rainforest. Instead of fighting nature they are going with the flow of nature. Nice job survivors! Now if you find this exciting call 1800- within the next 3 minutes and you will..

(suddenly water spirits survivors birds and trees surround narrator and say)

Enough! They get it..come on and go with the flow with us.

(narrator looks nervous but starts to loosen up and begins wafting with the rest of cast)

(scene ends with all moving together in flowing movements like water)

OPTION: Ask students to come up with a closing message they would like to tell the audience about what they learned from their experience exploring the rainforest.

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