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Grade 3 Reading Worksheet - Challenge Me

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Rainforests are warm and wet all year. More than half of the world's kinds of plants and animals live there. Tall trees make a green roof high above the ground. Many animals live in the trees.

2. Forests are important.
   Rainforests are cold and dry.
   Rainforests are warm, wet places full of life.
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Penguins

Penguins are birds that cannot fly. They use their wings to swim fast in the sea. Their feathers keep them warm and dry. They eat fish and krill.

3. Penguins fly south each winter.
   Penguins are birds that swim instead of fly.
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   Birds live in many places.

Busy Honeybees

Honeybees live together in a hive. Each bee has a job. Some bees gather nectar from flowers. Others feed the baby bees. A few guard the door of the hive.

4. Other bees feed the baby bees.
   Honeybees in a hive each have a job.
   Every bee makes its own honey alone.
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