

The background is a painting of a night scene. It features dark, silhouetted figures of people standing on a dark ground. A bright, circular light source, possibly a moon or a lantern, is visible on the left side, casting a glow. The sky is a deep blue with some lighter, hazy areas. The overall mood is mysterious and somber.

LO: To write a setting description  
Task: To describe the place where the  
unnamed girl was hiding

# Under the Quilt of Night

# Success Criteria:

## Must:

- I can use the senses to describe a rainforest setting
- I can use expanded noun phrases
- I can use powerful verbs and adverbs
- I can use a variety of sentence openers

## Could:

- I can describe the place of hiding through the girl's eyes
- I can use a variety of punctuation

## Challenge:

- I can use active and passive voice
- I can use precise vocabulary

When writing your setting description –  
 Imagine that you were the girl hiding in the rainforest in bushes  
 think about using the senses:  
 What can be seen/heard/felt? Use this word mat to help you plan your ideas

## Descriptive Settings: Rainforests and Jungles

What Can I Describe?	How Can I Describe It?	What Can It Do?	Examples of Effective Phrases
biodiversity	chaotic	crawl	...lurking within the dense foliage...
canopies	dense	creep	Among gnarled and twisted vines...
deforestation	endless	disappear	...abundant and luscious flora...
ecosystems	exotic	emerge	...through the impenetrable and sinister swamp...
fauna	hazardous	escape	...previously unexplored territory...
flora	hostile	hide	Stifling heat made the exotic paradise extremely hazardous.
fruits	humid	infest	
ground	impassable	inhabit	
habitats	impenetrable	live	
insects	lush	lurk	
layers	luxuriant	melt	
plants	mysterious	plunge	
predators	remote	retreat	
species	steamy	roam	
swamps	swampy	search	
temperature	tangled	survive	
thickets	tough	teem	
vines	trackless	trek	
weather	unexplored	venture	
wildlife	uninhabited	wander	





## Nouns and expanded noun phrases:

Hostile, hungry  
mosquitoes attacking....  
dense, green bushes

Think of some  
adjectives to describe:  
canopy

**Wildlife -**  
snakes/birds/scorpions..

Trees  
Ground  
vines

## Powerful verbs/ Adverbs

snarling  
slithering  
flapping  
screeching  
soaring  
watching  
disappear  
emerge  
Searching  
stepping

## Sentence openers

Place  
Action  
Time

In the middle of a bush....  
Across the pathway....  
Overhead....  
Directly in front...

Silently.....  
Cautiously....  
Hesitantly....

Eventually...  
A few seconds....  
Later that day....  
Hours later....

You could start your paragraph...

Eventually we came to a clearing in the forest, a large

Section of dense, green bushes - perfect for hiding in during the day. Gathering inside the bushes, scapping away the earth, we laid down our thin, woollen rugs. Trying hard to settle to sleep, I fidgeted and decided that I would keep watch.

A few moments later, I spotted....