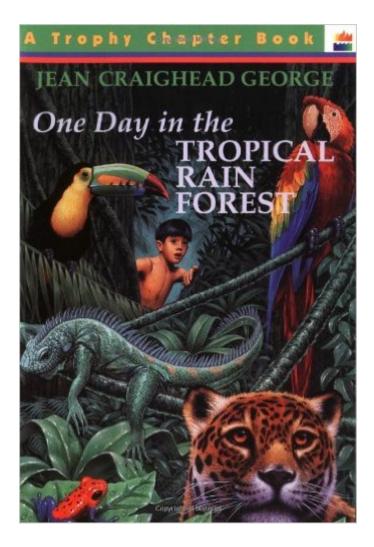
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# **One Day In The Tropical Rain Forest**





## Synopsis

Today is doomsday for a young Venezuelan Indian boy's beloved rain forest and its animal lifeâ "unless he and a visiting naturalist can save it. "George makes drama large and small out of the minute-by-minute events in an ecosystem . . . gripping ecological theater." â "C. "An example of nonfiction writing at its best." â "SLJ. Notable 1990 Children's Trade Books in Social Studies (NCSS/CBC)Outstanding Science Trade Books for Children 1990 (NSTA/CBC)

### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

1. This book is about Tepui, a boy who lives in the Tropical Rain Forest of the Macaw. The bulldozers and chain sawyers are headed toward the rain forest. Tepui and Dr. Rivero, a biologist, have one more day left to save the rain forest. They need to catch a nameless butterfly, then a rich man will buy the rain forest and name the butterfly after his daughter. Will they be in time? This book is awesome because it has a lot of information about the rain forest and it's a good story.2. This book is about Tepui, an Indian boy. He lives in a Venezuelan rain forest. Tepui and Dr. Rivero (a biologist) have one day to find a butterfly without a name. If they find the butterfly, a rich man will name the butterfly after his daughter, will they find the butterfly in time? This

book is cool because it has interesting facts about the rain forest.

This is a great book. At the start I thought I was headed into a story of good versus bad, where nature played the good guy and man the bad. As if things could be that simple. Instead I found an honest well-balanced story that centers on a young boy's efforts to save his home in the rain forest. Ms. George provides fascinating descriptions of the many layers of animal and human life that are engaged in the same struggle for survival. All is brought to a satisfactory conclusion with the hidden acknowledgement that it still takes one kind of green stuff to save another kind of green stuff.

An unnamed butterfly must be found today in order to save this chunk of the rainforest. Loggers are already on the way to cut it all down. The premise is exciting, but the execution of the story, particularly in the beginning, is often less than pulse-stirring, weighted down by a thousand facts about rainforests. These facts are, however, by far the most interesting part of the book, and there's even an index. Once I was into the book, I enjoyed it very much. So far I have not been able to get my son to do more than open it, and I think the slow start may be the problem. This would be an exvellent book to have in a classroom during a unit on rainforests.

ONE DAY IN THE TROPICAL RAINFORESTAUTHOR-JEAN CRAIGHEAD GEORGEGENRE-ADVENTURE/REALISTIC FICTIONPAGES-66SETTING-TROPICAL RAINFOREST OF THE MACAWCHARACTERS-TEPUI, DR.RIVERO, A ORNITHOLOGIST, HERPETOLOGIST, MAMMALOLOGIST, AND A BOTONIST.THIS IS A MUST READ BOOK IF YOU LIKE ADVENTURE OR THE RAINFOREST! IT'S ABOUT A BOY NAMED TEPUI AND A SCIENTIST NAMED DR. RIVERO. THEY HAVE AN URGENT PROBLEM, THERE ARE 11 BULLDOSERS AND FOUR TRUCKS CARRYING 20 CHAINSAWERS THAT WANT TO CUT DOWN THE RAINFOREST FOR FARMLAND. TEPUI AND DR. RIVERO MUST FIND A NEW BUTTERFLY TO SAVE THE RAINFOREST, BUT THEY ONLY HAVE LESS THAN A DAY BEFORE THE DESTRUCTION BEGINS. CAN THEY DO IT?The author writes very suspenseful, and teaches us valuable lessons throughout the story. We are constantly learning more about the BALANCE of the Rain Forest and the miraculous events going on simultaneously around the main characters. I can't wait to read other books by this author. You can tell she does a great deal of research about her topics and enjoys the outdoors.

Here is another superb entry in beloved nature writer Jean Craighead George's informative and

thrilling ONE DAY. . . series. The award-winning author of JULIE OF THE WOLVES, MY SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN, and more than eighty other wildlife books for young readers does a great job of bringing to life the magical setting of the tropical rain forest. Tepui, a young boy who lives in Venezuela's Tropical Rain Forest of the Macaw, befriends some biologists who are studying the rain forest. To his and the scientists' dismay, the rain forest is scheduled to be chopped down and destroyed one afternoon. The only way to save it is to find a special butterfly that has never before been identified and present it to a wealthy businessman who wants to name the butterfly after his daughter. So Tepui and his friend Dr. Rivero--a lepidoptorist--set out to find the elusive insect. But the human characters are only a small part of the story. The rain forest is alive with thousands of species of creatures--amusing ones like a leisurely sloth, and creepy ones like flesh-eating ants. There are birds of all the colors of the rainbow, mammals like jaguars and tapirs, magnificent tree giants, and, of course, millions of insects. This is a fascinating glimpse, written in a fast-paced minute-by-minute style, into an environment so complex and diverse that there are many creatures who don't even have names, and have never seen humans. It is also an important story that all young people should pay attention to to better understand their natural world and help to preserve its unique magnificent ecosystems. Other titles in the series are: ONE DAY IN THE. . . ALPINE TUNDRA, PRAIRIE, DESERT, and WOODS. Any ecologist will also want to check out Jean Craighead George's Eco-Mysteries series: WHO REALLY KILLED COCK ROBIN?, THE CASE OF THE MISSING CUTTHROATS, THE MISSING 'GATOR OF GUMBO LIMBO, and THE FIRE BUG CONNECTION. These include information on chemicals, the ozone layer, human development, and how these things threaten our wild places and creatures.

Today is doomsday for the tropical rain forest. Tepui and Dr. Rivero must discover a nameless butterfly before the end of the day to save the rain forest. It is a very interesting story because it tells alot about animals in the rain forest and it describes the time period when the action occurs in a very realistic way. I would like to read more books by this author. I am in third grade.

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