



Lawrence Tobe, *Rain Forest #1*, 1989, Oil on canvas, diptych, Gift of the Artist, 1990.020

This week, Museum Stories explores goes into the rainforest with artist Lawrence Tobe. Watch the short video for some fun with art, a book and an art project!

LOOK

This painting is two large canvases placed side by side. Can you see the line where the two paintings come together? These paintings have lots of different shades of green. Can you point out the different shades? Which parts look like the color of grass, or peas, or very dark leaves?

Imagine that you are in a rainforest or jungle. What animals might you find? Think of tigers that prowl on the ground, or monkeys that swing from the trees, or snakes that slither all around. Have fun making some animal noises!

READ

This week, the book recommendation is *Roar, Roar, Roaring* by Melanie Joyce. It features jungle animals in bright colors! This book encourages children to make animal noises as you read along. Enjoy all the bright colors and rhyming text.

MAKE

Follow along with the video for instructions to make an art project. Make a colorful snake with the template.

VBMA educators created this lesson plan.

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