

4 READING & LISTENING

a Answer the questions in pairs.

- 1 Imagine you were going to go backpacking in the Amazon rainforest, what do you think would be the main problems you would need to overcome, e.g. the heat, insects, the food, etc.?
- 2 What would you be most afraid of?

b Read the beginning of a true survival story and then answer the questions below.

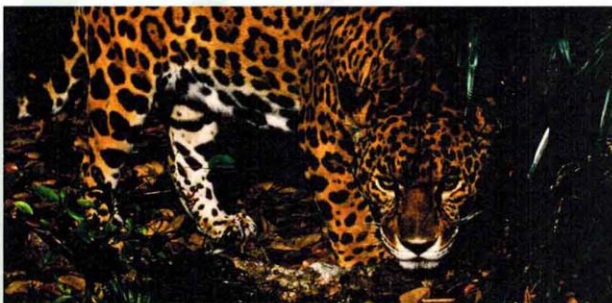
- 1 What was the three friends' original plan? How did this change?
- 2 What caused tensions between...?
 - a the three men and the guide
 - b Kevin and Marcus
- 3 Why did they finally separate?
- 4 Which pair would *you* have chosen to go with? Why?
- 5 How would you have felt if you had been in Marcus's situation?

c You are going to listen to part of a documentary and find out what happened to the four men. After each part answer the questions with a partner.



- 36)) 1 What happened to Kevin and Yossi on the raft?
2 What piece of luck did Yossi have?

Whose situation would you rather have been in, Kevin's or Yossi's? Why?



- 37)) 3 How were Kevin and Yossi feeling?
4 What happened to Yossi on his first night alone in the jungle?

What would you have done if you had been in Yossi's situation?

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Four young men went into the jungle on the adventure of a lifetime. Only two of them would come out alive...

The Amazon rainforest is roughly the size of Europe or Australia. It is the home of more than half the plant and animal species known to man, many of which are lethal.

In 1981 three friends went backpacking in a remote area of Bolivia: Yossi Ghinsberg, 22, and his two friends Kevin Wallace, 29, and Marcus Stamm, 29. They hired an experienced guide, an Austrian called Karl, who promised that he could take them deep into the rainforest to an undiscovered Indian village. Then they would raft nearly 200 kilometres back down river. Karl said that the journey to the village would take them about seven days. Before they entered the jungle, the three friends made a promise that they would 'go in together and come out together'.



- 38)) 5 Why did Yossi's spirits change from desperate to optimistic, and then to desperate again?

How would you have felt at this point? What do you think had happened to Kevin?



- 39)) 6 What had Kevin been doing all this time?
7 What did Kevin decide to do?
8 Why was he incredibly lucky?

If you had been Kevin, what would you have done now?