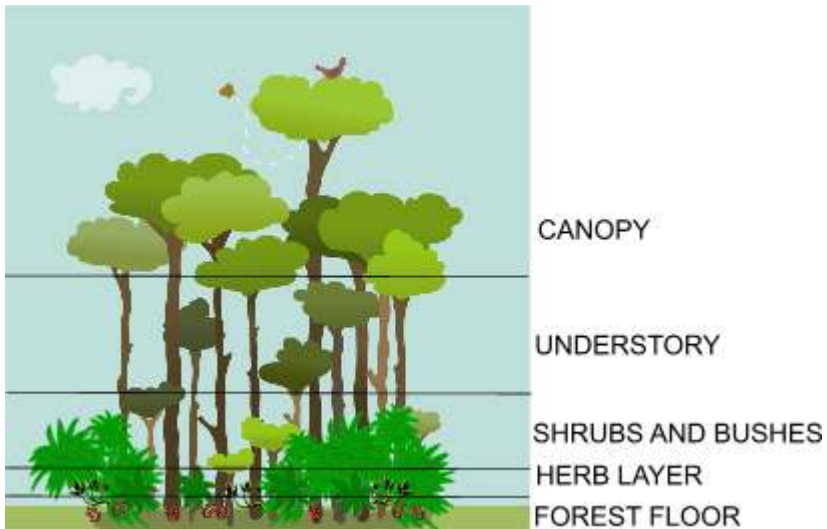


The Layers of a Forest

Use the information in the diagram below to draw and label your own forest layer picture at the bottom of the page.



The **canopy** is the uppermost layer, at the tops of the tallest trees.

Next comes the **understory**, where smaller trees grown.

Beneath the understory, is a layer of **shrubs and bushes** with many stems.

Next is the **herb layer**, which has the plants which are not woody.

The final layer is the **forest floor**, which is covered with leaves and fallen branches.

Draw and label your picture here: