Alexander von Humboldt

- 1. Alexander von Humboldt (1769 1859) was a forgotten naturalist for many years and discoverer of several natural events, such as the isotherms, the line of the Equator and the position of Lima (Peru).
- 2. Alexander Von Humboldt was a Germany geographer, philosopher, historian, explorer and naturalist. He was one of the most important researchers of volcanos and sea currents. His studies on distribution of plants and descriptions of animals were fundamental for the study of biology.
- 3. As a means to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Alexander von Humboldt's birth, the historian Andrea Wulf and the illustrator Lillian Melcher got together to create a non-fiction graphic novel that shows the explorations of this Prussian naturalist in Latin America. Humboldt was focused on describing the environment, detailing every species of flora and fauna he and his group found along the way, but he has also produced documentation on human characteristics. This graphic novel is a great opportunity to get to know this scientist who wanted to collect data on all aspects of the natural world.
- 4. Alison Abbot's article, published in the scientific journal Nature, explores the publishing of a graphic novel covering Alexander von Humboldt's expedition of South America. Entitled "The Adventures of Alexander Von Humboldt", the book follows the Prussian's investigation trough annotations made on his notebooks depicting his theories, experiments and learnings with indigenous people. On the matter of his biography proper, Humboldt was paramount in the naturalism/biology field: his work influenced thinkers such as Goethe and Darwin his main theory was about the interconnection of nature and its systems, for example, how deforestation could be harmful to local pluviosity.
- 5. To commemorate the 250th anniversary of Alexander von Humboldt, historian Andrea Wulf together with the artist Lillian Melcher decided to produce a informative, light and illustrated textbook on the adventures of the naturalist in Latin America. In the book we find that Humboldt was a very influential liberal socially and in science, he thought the world holistically and studied it in this way by documenting and measuring everything he saw (like many scientists of the day), no matter what the cost.
- 6. In this text we can know a little of the history of the Prussian naturalist Alexander von Humboldt through the historian Andrea Wulf. Andrea is the author of two books on von Humboldt, the first is a biography called "The Invention of Nature", the second is called "The Adventures of Alexander von Humboldt, "the latter being a graphic work developed in partnership with the artist Lilian Mercher in which they report their work of exploration of nature, represented by jungles, volcanoes and crocodile-filled rivers. They show his habit of jotting down everything in his notebook and the care he takes with his scientific instruments. Excellent work done to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Humboldt's birth.
- 7. The article is about the rescue of the Prussian naturalist Alexander Von Humboldt (1769-1859) from the published of a graphic novel "The Adventures of Alexander Von Humboldt", written by Andrea Wulf and illustrated by Lillian Melcher Pantheon. The graphic novel is depicting the naturalist when he was a young man and started your exploration on the America, which lasted five years, his records in the notebooks and drawings made interesting the adaptation to the graphic. It focused on to show the importance of Humboldt in his age and to posterity ages, especially, in his discoveries and his most famous theory: "everything in nature is connected", which predicted that deforestation could harm the climate and environment. Finally, because his knowledge and fame many cities, animals and plants have their name.
- 8. The May issue of the Nature magazine publish a story about Humboldt, more specifically about a new way to tell your adventures. In commemoration of Humboldt's 250th birthday, the history about your travels were transformed into comic books in the work entitled The Adventures of Alexander von Humboldt. In the stories, many illustrations narrate his passage through the Amazon, his contact with the Indians and his explorations through Venezuela. The idea of this publication is, according to the illustrator, to make Humboldt and his exploratory voyages better known to the public.
- 9. In the 250th anniversary of the birth of Prussian naturalist, Alexander von Humboldt, the historian Andrea Wulf created a graphic work about Humboldt's exploration of Latin America's environment. He, as a talented scientist, deciphered many important issues yet to come, massive deforestation and its consequences being one of them.