



## Vocabulary & Definitions

- **primate:** a mammal that is distinguished by having hands, feet (that are like hands), and forward-facing eyes.
- **great apes:** a taxonomic (classification) family of primates that includes orangutans, gorillas, chimpanzees, bonobos, and modern humans.
- **orangutan** (ur·ang·uh·tan): three species of great apes that are native to Indonesia and Malaysia.
- **cheek pads:** (also called flanges) a distinct feature of large, padded cheeks that frame the face that are observed on male orangutans.
- **palm oil:** an edible vegetable oil that comes from the fruit of oil palm trees. These trees are the subjects of palm oil plantations that are devastating Indonesia and contributing to the critical endangerment of orangutans.
- **Indonesia:** (officially the Republic of Indonesia) a country in Southeast Asia that consists of over seventeen thousand islands. Orangutans can be found in the rainforests of Borneo and Sumatra within Indonesia.
- **conservation:** the preservation and protection of something.