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In July and August 2011, Abakum B. Owai, education officer at CERCOPAN (www.cercopan.org), and I conducted environmental education programmes in primary and secondary schools in two Igbo communities in south-eastern Nigeria. The programmes covered such topics as environmental services, pollution, primates (with a focus on Sclater's monkey), and the concepts of endangerment and extinction. The children played a "chutes and ladders"-type board game that addressed major threats to primates and their forest habitats. They also took a quiz based on the main lecture, and those who scored highest won a prize (books such as "100 Facts About Monkeys and Apes" and "100 Facts About Endangered Animals").

