

L.Q. Can I describe and understand key aspects of a river?

Key Vocabulary

meander, tributary, flow, bank, stream, current.

Recap quiz

1. A river can run up hill because of gravity.
A. True B. False
2. When there is too much water, the river expands and floods.
A. True B. False
3. When a river wears away rocks and soil over time this is called.
A. Erosion B. Precipitation

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_M48ANM3hAQ

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zb39jxs>

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1. A river usually doesn't dry up because of The Water Cycle
A. True B. False
2. Water goes from the sea into the sky through a process called precipitation.
A. True B. False
3. Rivers are formed by the collection and run-off of rain water.
A. True B. False

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Key Vocabulary: upstream, downstream, midstream

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Match the labels with the pictures

- Quick, lots of energy, dynamic, growing quickly
- Bigger, not so fast, still lots to do, finding way
- Slow, full, lots of memories, less energy



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The same applies to rivers

a young river - the upper course ['upstream']

- steep hills, fast-flowing, waterfalls

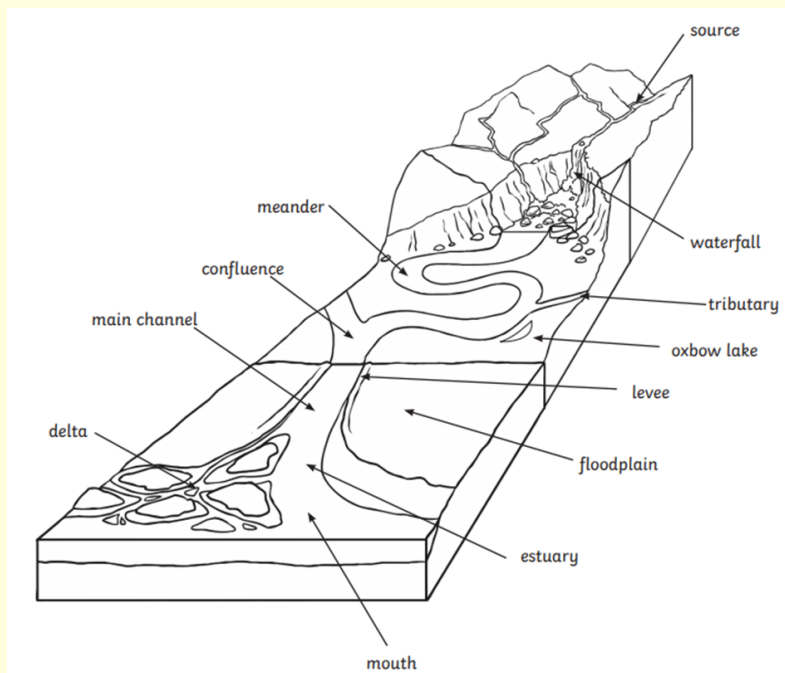
a middle-aged river - the middle course ['midstream']

- meandering, depositing stones and gravel

an old river - the lower course ['downstream']

- large and silty, muddy banks, reaches sea

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Let's compare and contrast: What is the difference between these two rivers? What is similar? Where do you think they are? Why?



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Your turn. Complete the label a river worksheet.

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If you were a river what type of river would you be?

Slow and relaxed? Or fast and busy?

Would you have waterfalls and rush along in a hurry? Or would you 'meander' gently along?

Quick quiz of the week

1. The start of a river is called the mouth.

A. True B. False

2. When there is too much water, the river expands and floods.

A. True B. False

3. A young river (upstream) is characterised by steep hills and waterfalls.

A. True B. False