

Water cycle and rivers Knowledge Organiser



Key vocabulary	
river	a flowing, moving stream of water
stream	A small, fast flow of water
canal	Waterways built by people used for shipping and transport.
reservoir	The store of water that is held back by a dam
lake	Large bodies of water that are surrounded by land and are not part of an ocean
sea	A huge body of salt water
source	Where a river begins its journey
channel	The path of a river
tributary	A small river or stream that meets a large river
mouth	Where the river enters the sea
confluence	Where two rivers meet
meander	A winding bend in the river
Estuary	The last section of the river before the sea
Water cycle	The journey of water on the Earth

What did the River Nile give to the Egyptian people?

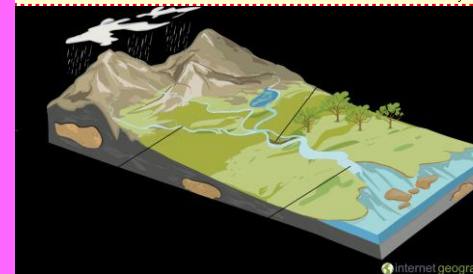
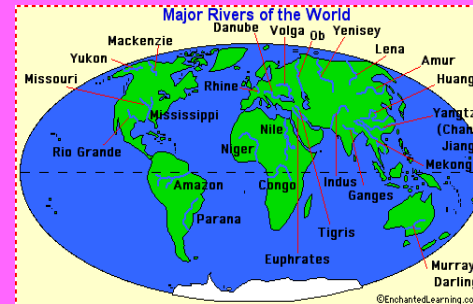
How does North America compare to South America?

What will I know by the end of the unit?

- Key vocabulary linked to rivers.
- Facts about a chosen river and understand the effects on the environment.
- Extend our knowledge and understanding beyond the local area to include the UK and Europe, North and South America.
- How to describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography. Including rivers and the water cycle and why it is important.



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