

Rivers of the UK

Learning objective: To understand the different types of rivers found in the UK and their characteristics.

Sort the pictures of rivers into three categories: Fast Flowing, Slow Flowing, and Tidal. Use the word bank to help you.

Word bank: River Thames · River Severn · Tidal · Fast Flowing · Slow Flowing · River Trent · Salmon · River Clyde

1. What type of river would you expect to find near the sea? (1 mark)

2. Which river is known for being the longest in the UK? (1 mark)

3. What type of fish would you typically find in a fast-flowing river? (1 mark)

4. Which river would you expect to be affected by the tide? (1 mark)

5. Describe a slow-flowing river. (2 marks)

6. What type of river would you expect to find in a valley? (1 mark)

7. Explain why the River Thames is important to the city of London. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a fast-flowing river and label its characteristics.



Extension challenge: Research and write about a famous river in the UK that you have visited or would like to visit.