

River Explorer's Fact-File

Learning objective: To learn about the features and importance of rivers, and to understand their role in our environment.

Read the passage about rivers and complete the fact-file with your new knowledge. Use the word bank to help you.

Rivers are amazing natural features that flow across the land. They start from a source, which is where the water first appears, and then flow downhill to the mouth, where they meet the sea. Along the way, they might collect water from smaller streams called tributaries. Rivers can flow through valleys, creating beautiful landscapes and supporting a wide variety of plants and animals. They can also create waterfalls, which are breathtaking sights. The riverbank is the area where the river meets the land, and it's often home to many different species. Did you know that rivers provide oxygen to animals and humans?

Word bank: source · mouth · tributary · valley · waterfall · riverbank · oxygen

1. What is the starting point of a river? (2 marks)

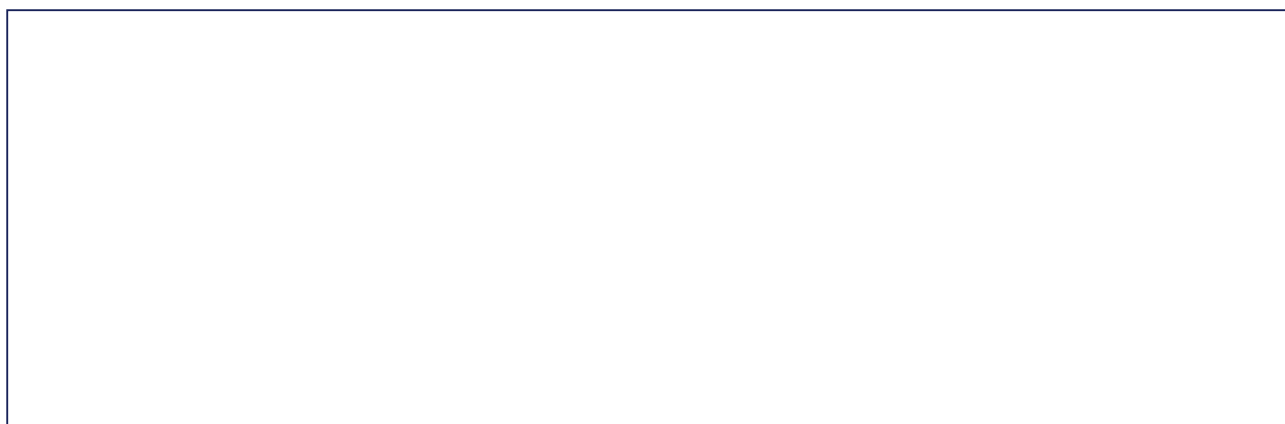
2. Where do rivers meet the sea? (2 marks)

3. What do rivers provide that living things need to breathe? (1 mark)

4. What type of landscape can rivers create? (1 mark)

5. What is the area where the river meets the land? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of a river and its features, including the source, mouth, and riverbank.



Extension challenge: Research and write about a specific type of river, such as a fast-flowing river or a slow-moving river. What are its unique features and how do they support the environment?