



Chacewater School – LEAP Into Learning — Bur Oaks

Geography – How important are rivers?

? What I might already know: Rivers are important for the people and animals in Zambia. The river Zambezi is the 4th longest river in Africa. ?

KEY QUESTIONS:

What we will be learning:

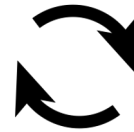
What is a river where do we find them?

What are the stages and features of a river?

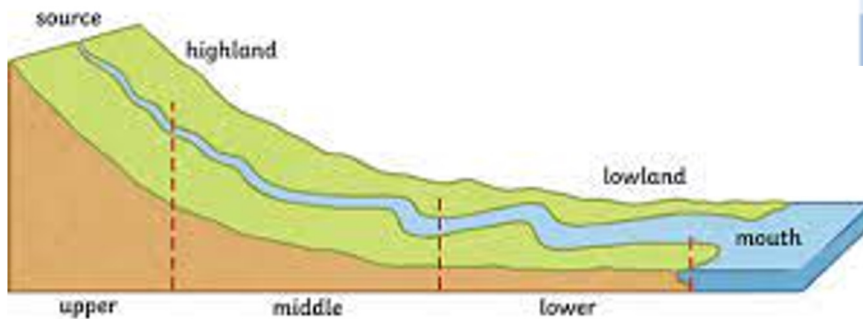
What are the physical characteristics of the River Thames? How does this compare to the Carnon River?

How do people use rivers?

A river is a natural flowing watercourse, usually freshwater, flowing towards an ocean, sea, lake or another river.

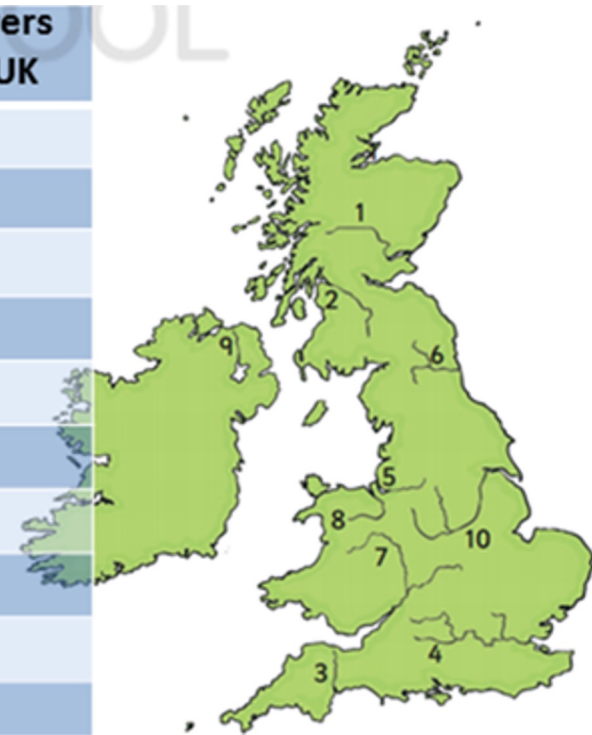


A river has three main stages: upper course, middle course and lower course.



Key rivers in the UK

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| 1 | Tay |
| 2 | Clyde |
| 3 | Exe |
| 4 | Thames |
| 5 | Mersey |
| 6 | Tyne |
| 7 | Severn |
| 8 | Dee |
| 9 | Bann |
| 10 | Trent |



Flooding is caused by poor drainage around or close to a river.

Rivers have many uses around the world, including cleaning, cooking, growing crops, transport and creating power.

Upper river stage: sources of water
Middle river stage: Meanders, valleys, flood plains
Lower river stages: estuaries