

YEAR 4 GEOGRAPHY – RIVERS

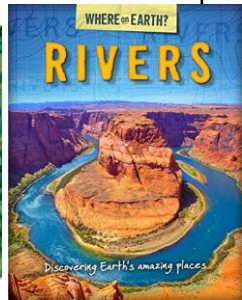
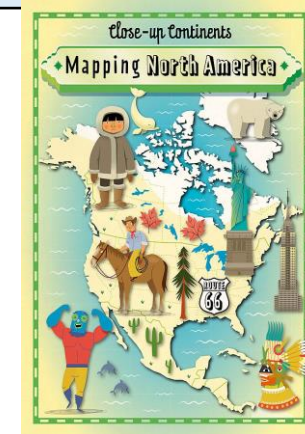
Tier 3 Vocabulary

Knowledge Facts

Recommended Reads

Equator-The Earth's Equator is the imaginary line that runs around the centre of the globe

The Earth's Equator is the imaginary line that runs around the centre of the globe at 0 degrees latitude, at equal distance between the North and South Poles.



Hemisphere- half of the Earth.

The Northern Hemisphere is the half of Earth that is north of the Equator and the southern hemisphere is the half of Earth that is south of the Equator.

Topography- the forms and features of land surfaces.

The USA is in North America, has 50 states and is the third largest country in the world. Because of its size, its climate and topography are very varied.

Climate - weather conditions.

The features of a river are valleys, waterfalls, floodplains, deltas, a river mouth, river banks, a source, tributaries and estuaries.

Tributary (s) Tributaries (pl) -where a river splits into streams or smaller rivers.

The key rivers in North America are The Missouri, Mississippi, and Yukon rivers.

Bank- the land alongside a body of water

The key rivers in South America are The Amazon, Rio Parana, and Madeira rivers.

Mouth- the end of a river when it reaches a sea or a lake.

The key rivers in Europe are The Volga, Danube and Loire rivers.

Source- the start of a river.

The key rivers in the UK are The Thames, Severn and Trent rivers.

Estuary- where a river meets the sea.

The key rivers in Cornwall are The Tamar, Allen (Truro) Fal and Camel rivers.

Delta- a landform created by deposition of sediment.

National Curriculum End Points

Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on North America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, identify the position and significance of Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere.

Downstream-the direction in which a stream or river flows.

Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of the UK and USA.

Valley- low land between mountains or hills.

Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes (taught in Science) the water cycle (taught in Science) and **rivers**

