

Go with the Flow- Why are rivers important?

Vocabulary	Definition
River	A flowing body of water that moves across land.
Source	The starting point of a river.
Mouth	Where the river flows into the sea or ocean.
Water cycle	The cycle of water between the Earth's oceans, sky and land.
Water pollution	When harmful substances enter the water and make it unclean and unsafe e.g.- oil spills.
Flood plain	The area of flat land around a river which can flood.
Dam	A dam is a strong wall built across a river to control the flow of water.

What is a river?

A river is a long, flowing body of water that moves across the land and usually ends in a lake or the sea.



What are the longest rivers in the world?

Major Rivers of the World



Amazon is used for fishing.

Nile is used for trade and to grow crops

Ganges is used for religious ceremonies, bathing and crops

Mississippi is used for trade and drinking water.

What journey does water take from the source to the sea?



How does human activity effect rivers?



Oil spills
Pollute.



Dams obstruct
Wildlife.



Built up areas
can cause
flooding.



Litter and pollution can
look unappealing and
cause rivers to smell.



Overfishing can effect
food chains.

Where is the River Trent and what is it like there?

- The river Trent flows through the Midlands..
- The river begins at its source in North Staffordshire and ends its mouth in the North sea.
- The Trent passes many counties including Derbyshire, Lincolnshire, Leister shire, Nottinghamshire and Yorkshire.

