Uplands Junior School Knowledge Organiser

Subject: Geography

Topic Rivers (Raging Rivers) Human and Physical Geography

Year:5

Geography knowledge

Rivers

Our local river is the River Severn

Rivers have sources channels tributaries and mouths

Rivers receive water from wide areas that flow for miles and miles – eventually flowing into a lake or sea. The water always flows downwards, sometimes underground and eventually into the sea.

Differences

Oceans are very large areas of salt water that cover approximately two thirds of the Earths surface

Seas are smaller areas of salt water that separate the oceans and land

Rivers are natural streams of fresh water that flow into lakes, seas and oceans.

Diagrams Features of River source/spring waterfall stream meander mouth tributary estuary delta

Erosion and deposition

The arrows show the direction of the river current which causes erosion overtime.



Sometimes, two
meanders can join
together to form a
'shortcut'. Water will
flow down the shorter

route, **deposition** will block off the old route and this will create an oxbow **lake**.

The Water Cycle



The Amazon River in Longest river in the The longest river in South America carries UK is the River Severn the world is the river the most water. Interesting Facts Nile at 6650 km at 220 miles / 354 km Floods make rivers Rivers can provide Rivers change over laraer- droughts humans with food. shrink them. energy and recreation.

Geography skills

- Use the index in atlases to find oceans, seas and rivers.
- Label maps to show where oceans, seas, lakes and rivers can be located.
- Complete a table to show the length of different rivers.
- Describe and explain the parts of a water cycle-Where does the water come from
- Describe the life of a river using the correct terminology.
- Label the features of a river on a diagram.
- Go on a tour of the River Stour / Severn can you notice the different features of a river?
- Explain how the vegetation and animal life changes in the different parts of a River.
- Investigate the effects of climate change and plastic pollution on oceans, seas and rivers.
- Use your knowledge of the bodies of water to create a campaign to limit plastic pollution.
- Describe how oxbow lakes are formed because of erosion and deposition.
- Explain how erosion and deposition have an effect on meanders and deltas.
- Explore the impact of humans on Rivers -both positive and negative impact.
- Understand the impact of flooding on communities.
- Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and
 physical characteristics, key topographical (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land use patterns;
 and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.
- Use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs and digital technologies - Carding Mill valley visit

Prior knowledge to consolidate every year for the Geography quiz

- *Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.
- *Locate the four countries and capital of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.
- *Locate the world's countries, to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) North and South America.

Key vocabulary	
river	A flowing stream of water
stream	A small fast flow of water
canal	Waterways built by people for ship ping transport.
resevior	A store of water that is held back by a dam
lake	Large bodies of water that are surrounded by water and are not part of an ocean or sea.
sea	Huge body of salt water
source	Where a river begins it journey
channel	The path of a river
tributary	A small river or stream that joins a larger river
mouth	Where the river enters the sea
confluence	Where two rivers meet
meander	A large bend in a river
estuary	The wide part of the river where it meets the sea
water cycle	The circulation of the Earths water.
erosion	the gradual destruction and removal of rock or soil in a particular area by rivers , the sea , or the weather
delta	an area of low land where a river splits and spreads out into several branches before entering the sea
deposition	when a substance has been left somewhere as a result of a process
pollution	the process of polluting water, air, or land, especially with poisonous chemicals