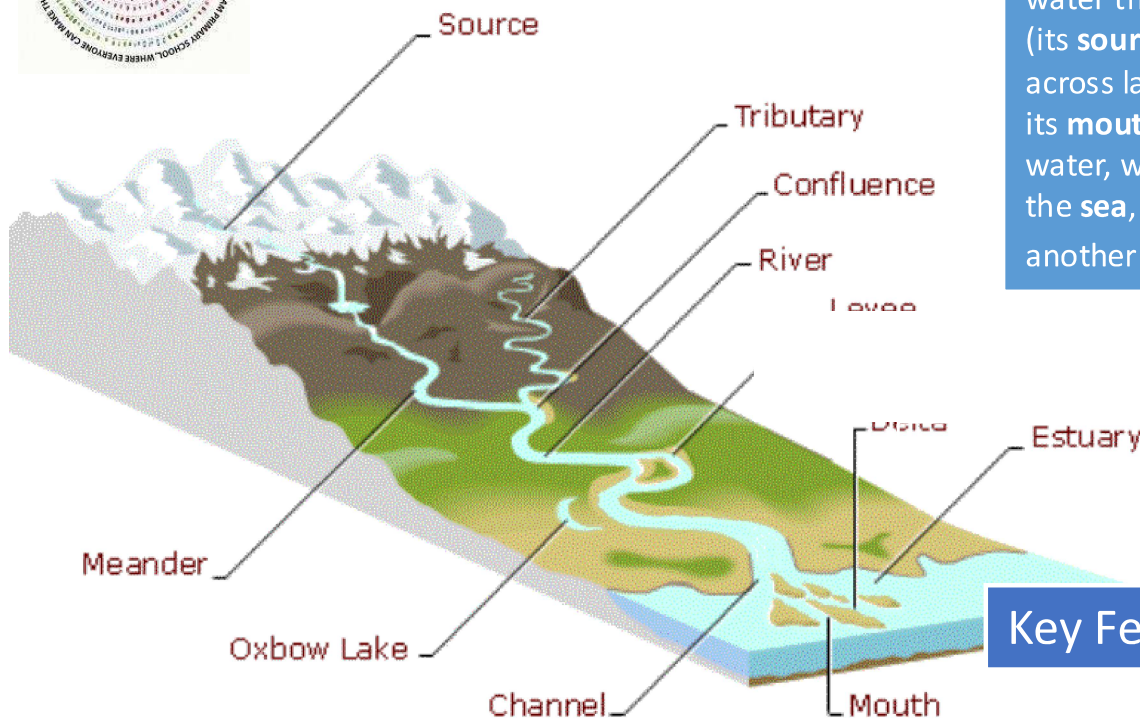


Year 5/6 Knowledge Organiser Geography : Rivers and Basins

A river is a moving body of water that flows from the start (its **source**) on high ground, across land, and then ends at its **mouth** into another body of water, which could be a **lake**, the **sea**, an **ocean** or even another river.



Key Features of a River

Tier 3 Vocabulary

River Course	The journey of a river divided into three sections (courses) : upper, middle and lower
Channel	The path of a river (where the water flows)
River Bed	The bottom of a river
River Banks	The two sides of a river
River Basin	The area of land from which all water flows into a particular river
Drainage Basin	The area of land drained by a river
Floodplain	The area around the river which is covered at times of flood
Valley	A low area of land between hills or mountains, with a river or stream flowing

Rivers of the World - Rivers flow through every continent of the world.

River Nile	The longest river in the world : 6,650 km.
River Amazon	The widest river in the world and carries more water than any other river
River Severn	The longest river in UK : 354 km.
River Thames	The longest river in England : 346 km and flows through London
River Cam	The main river through Cambridge

Year 1/2 Geography: Geography of the Fens/Cambridge
Year 4/5 Geography: South America
Year 4/5 Geography: North America

Prior learning

Year 6 Geography: South America
KS3 human and physical examples

Future learning