

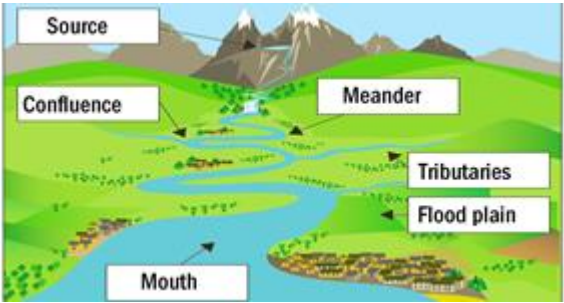




Where do rivers start?

Subject Vocabulary		What do I need to know?	Where?
Mouth	The place where a river enters a lake, larger river, or the ocean is called its mouth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The water cycle is the way in which water moves around the Earth. It never stops! Rivers have many uses around the world, including cleaning, cooking, growing crops, transport and creating power. A river has three main stages: upper course, middle course and lower course. Flooding is caused by poor drainage around or close to a river. 	 <p>Our local river - River Irwell</p> 
Source	The place where a river begins.		
Meander	A meander is when water flows in a curvy, bendy path, like a snake.		
Tributary	A freshwater stream that feeds into a larger stream or river.		
Estuary	An area where a freshwater river or stream meets the ocean.		
		Key facts	
Land use	Land use varies with each course of a river e.g. farming, tourism, industry, water storage etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The world's ten longest rivers <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Nile (Africa) Amazon (South America) Yangtze (Asia) Mississippi (North America) Yenisei (Asia) Yellow (Asia) Ob-Irtysh (Asia) Paraná (South America) Congo (Africa) Amur (Europe/Asia) 	<p>Longest river - River Nile</p> 
Erosion	Erosion occurs when the fastest currents in the river carve into the banks.		