

## Questions (over 7 lessons)

**What are the features of a river?  
What's our local river? What features can we see?  
Where did it come from and where does it flow?**

Tier 2	Tier 3
Raging	Rivulet
Tumble	Estuary
Cascading	Flood plain
Precipice	Tributary
Iconic	Confluence
Turbulent	Channel

## Big ideas/Substantive Concepts

### GEOGRAPHY

Geography is the study of where places are found, what they are like, and the relationships between people and their environments.

### HUMAN FEATURES

The built environment

Made by humans

### PHYSICAL FEATURES

The natural environment

Shaped by nature

## Sources

Cusp Curriculum  
Curriculum Visions  
Digi maps for schools

## Year 4 Rivers

## Making connections to prior learning

### Year 2

Human and physical features Fieldwork skills

Year 2 Compare small part of UK and a small part of a non- European region

### Year 3

Human and physical features UK Study

Revisit human and physical features

## Disciplinary Knowledge - thinking like a geographer

Place and space	Scale and connection	Physical and human geography	Environment and sustainability	Culture and diversity
<p>What are the courses of a river?                      How does the land look different at each river course?                      Agree or disagree? A river shapes the place it runs through and influences the way the space is used by humans.                      Why do you say that?</p>	<p>True or False?                      All rivers flow towards the sea or lakes. Why do you say that?                      What do rivers share in common?                      What do you know is different between rivers?                      How do rivers connect places?                      Follow the course of the River Nile and explain the way ancient Egyptians used it.</p>	<p>How do the courses of a river define its physical features?                      How did major rivers shape the way humans lived in the past?                      What pulls people to visit different courses of a river?                      Why could that be?                      Human features - what jobs do people do around rivers?</p>	<p>Agree or disagree? Rivers don't play a part in the climate of a place.                      How do rivers contribute towards the water cycle?                      If a river becomes polluted, what's the impact on the environment and animals in its habitat?                      How could large rivers and lakes be used to provide sustainable energy?</p>	<p>How do rivers shape the culture of a place?                      What makes the places around a river unique?                      Are there any similarities between different major rivers?                      What rivers shaped the ancient civilisations, such as Egypt, Sumer, Indus Valley or Shang Dynasty?</p>