

Subject	Year	Term
Geography	10	Autumn term 1
Topic		
UK physical landscapes- Rivers		
Content + skills (Intent)		
Prior Learning (Topic)		
KS1/KS2-		
Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features, including hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, valley		
Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key		
Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time		
Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle		
Use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world		
KS3 at Balcarras		
Year 7- Help we are going under		
Year 9- Clean water for everyone?		
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<p>In this section, students are required to study UK physical landscapes and two from Coastal landscapes in the UK, <u>River landscapes in the UK and Glacial landscapes in the UK.</u></p>		
<p>The aims of this unit are to develop an understanding of the geomorphological, biological and meteorological processes and features in different environments, and the need for management strategies governed by sustainability and consideration of the direct and indirect effects of human interaction with the Earth and the atmosphere.</p>		
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Future Learning (Topic)		
KS4 at Balcarras- Glaciation (Year 10), Natural hazards- extreme weather (Year 10), Resource management (Year 11), Ecosystems (Year 11), geographical skills across all GCSE topics,		
KS5 at Balcarras- Water and carbon cycle (Year 13), Coastal systems (Year 12), geographical skills across all A-level topics		
How will knowledge and skills be taught? (Implementation)	How will your understanding be assessed & recorded (Impact)	
<p>A series of lessons split into key themes covering fluvial erosion, deposition and transportation and resulting landforms from both erosion and deposition. Causes and management of flooding will also be explored.</p> <p>Fieldwork on a local river is integral to give a first-hand experience, which will enhance understanding of the world beyond the classroom and gives a chance to put theory in to practice.</p> <p>Teacher led lesson content Group and independent research task GCSE exam style questioning Group discussion/debates and questioning Reading key articles and textbooks</p>	<p>Provide SHORT and FREQUENT retrieval practice tests in a low stake environment</p> <p>Pupils will receive a past paper question booklet which covers all previous exam questions available to us. These will be regularly set and marked</p> <p>Continual low-stakes formative testing in lessons through verbal questioning</p> <p>This topic will be covered within the Year 10 mock exam – summative feedback</p>	

Misconceptions

Rivers are faster in the upper course than the lower course

This is a common misconception! In the upper course of the river the gradient is often really steep but the velocity is slow because of the vast amount of friction (more water is in contact with the bed and banks of the river). In the lower course the gradient levels off, but the speed of the river is very fast because there is less friction acting on the river water.

Rivers run from north to south

Rivers run downhill, following the path of least resistance. This path could take any direction.

Tributaries only join a river in the upper and middle stages

Tributaries can join a river at any point along its long profile.

Rivers are not tidal

Some rivers, that flow into seas and oceans, are tidal. A tidal river is a river (or a stretch of a river) whose level and flow are influenced by tides. This is usually at the end of a river near the ocean, where water from the sea flows up the river when the tide comes in, raising the water levels. Likewise, at low tide, water flows back out of the river, lowering the water level.

Other misconceptions.....

<https://www.newground.co.uk/blog/misconceptions-of-flooding/>

GCSE record sheet, ALPS analysis, data shared in interim reports and formal reports and parents evening.

How can parents help at home?

Support with homework and revision techniques for graded assessments. Discuss current affair issues by watching/reading the news. Download the BBC or Guardian news app and set to environmental notifications to receive the most update articles. Watching relevant documentaries e.g. David Attenborough, wildlife/environments.

Watch this

Our Planet: Freshwater (Netflix)

Earth's Great Rivers (BBC iPlayer)

Managing Rivers and Preventing Flooding: <https://youtu.be/AX1i5uJ50qM>

What rivers can tell us about the Earth's history- Liz Hajek- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1o9NEtA2IEQ>

Can you solve the river crossing riddle? Lisa Winer- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ADR7dUoVh_c

Why rivers and lakes should have the same rights as humans- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=opdCfb8cCFw>

The global risk of flooding and how to turn the tide- Virginia Smith- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2LlUwVcc3o>

Listen to this

Rivers

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p025qhmy>

Mayfield Geography Podcast – covers a range of topics

<https://anchor.fm/mayfieldgeography/episodes/Rivers---The-River-Tees-erapmm>

We are rivers podcast- American rivers

<https://www.americanrivers.org/podcast/>

Check this out

Before the Flood (Netflix)

Britannica: Rivers

<https://www.britannica.com/science/river>

Conversation Starters

No new houses are to be built on floodplains

Would you live in a flood prone area?

What level of risk from flooding is acceptable to you?

Are we planning to flood?

Increasing risk of floods- is climate change to blame?

Helpful further reading/discussion

<p>Reading</p> <p><u>Non-fiction</u></p> <p>Ian Stewart & John Lynch [2007]: Earth – The Power of the Planet - BBC Books</p> <p>Fred Pearce [2007]: When the Rivers Run Dry: What happens When Our Water Runs Out? – Eden Project Books</p> <p>Robert Does [2006]: Extreme Floods A History in a Changing Climate - Sutton Publishing</p> <p><u>Academic reading</u></p> <p>https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/articles/hydrology</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/topics/cgg43v9jz7lt</p> <p>Have a look at the Hodder magazines online through the VLE via dynamic learning</p> <p><u>Fiction</u></p> <p>Song of the current by Sarah Tolcser</p> <p>Riverkeep by Martin Stewart</p> <p>The wind in the willows by Kenneth Grahame</p>	<p>Vocabulary Lists</p> <p><i>Speaking like a geographer (Splug)</i></p> <p>Erosion</p> <p>Fluvial processes</p> <p>Cross profile</p> <p>Long profile</p> <p>Lateral erosion</p> <p>Vertical erosion</p> <p>Discharge</p> <p>Flood</p> <p>Flood risk</p> <p>Hard engineering</p> <p>Soft engineering</p> <p>Hydrograph</p> <p>Precipitation</p>	<p>Careers Links</p> <p>https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/hydrologist</p> <p>https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/hydrologist</p> <p>Career Advice on becoming a Hydrologist by Owain S</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X6OtNrCZ7D8</p> <p>Working for the Environment Agency</p> <p>https://environmentagencycareers.co.uk/</p>
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