

Big Question: Why is the River Thames so important to London?

Year: 5

Term: Autumn 1

**What? (Key knowledge)**

- What is a city?
- How can you locate one on a map?
- Which other famous European cities are situated on a river?
- Why are rivers important for the lives of the people who live there now and lived there some time ago?
- Why is London situated where it is?
- How have people adapted rivers and water for their own use?
- How has the Thames created jobs for many people who live in London?
- To be able to label the features of a river.
- What brings tourists to London?
- How are rivers vital for trade? Now and then? A comparison.

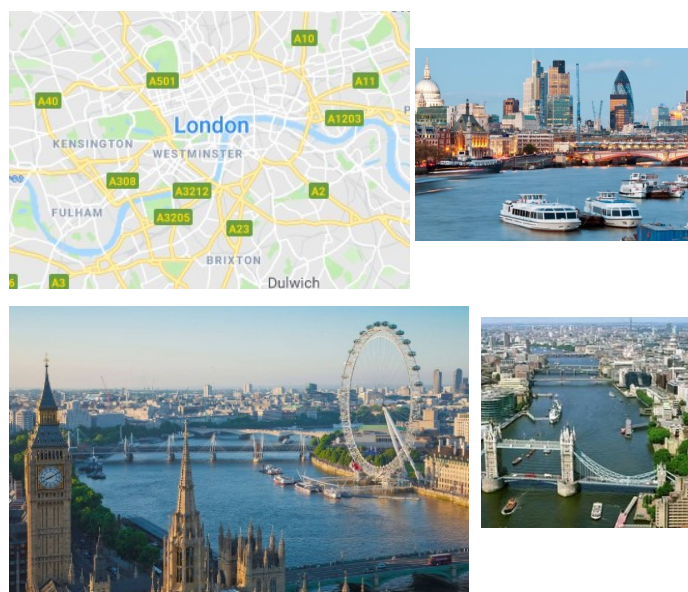
**Curriculum Coverage**

- Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate rivers.
- Use 4 figure grid references to read maps.
- Environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, major cities and national parks.
- Rivers and the water cycle including transpiration.
- Human geography including trade between UK and Europe and ROW.
- Fair/unfair distribution of resources (Fairtrade).

**What? (Key vocabulary)**

River	A large natural stream of water flowing in a channel to the sea, a lake, or another river.
City	A large settlement which contains a University and a Cathedral.
Transport	To take or carry (people or goods) from one place to another by means of a vehicle, aircraft, or ship.
Source	A place, person, or thing from which something originates or can be obtained.
Tourism	The commercial organization and operation of holidays and visits to places of interest.
Mouth	A <b>river mouth</b> is the part of a <b>river</b> where the <b>river</b> joins into another <b>river</b> , a lake, a reservoir, a sea, or an ocean.
Trade	The action of buying and selling goods and

**Images**



**Where?**

London	Europe
England	Africa
United Kingdom	South America
Manchester	France
Liverpool	Brazil
	Germany