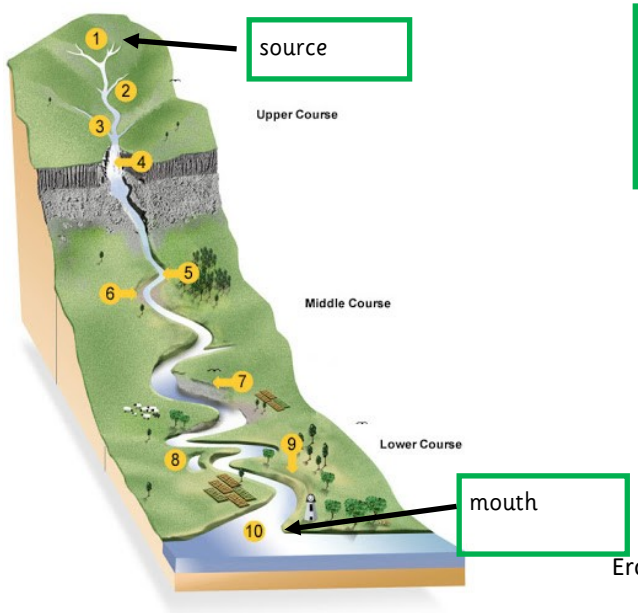
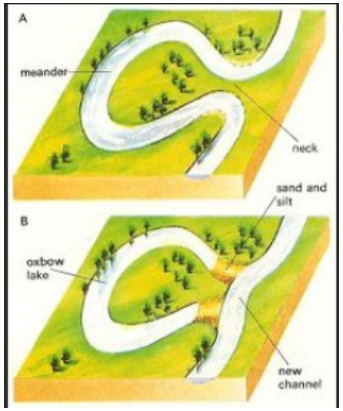
Year 5 - Autumn Term: Rivers

current	How fast a river flows
estuary	Where the river meets the sea
settlement	Where people set up a community.
deposition	The material dropped by a river
meander	A curve in the river
source	Where a river begins
Erosion	Where the river wears away the bank and river bed.
mouth	Where the river meets the sea
tributary	Smaller rivers and streams running into a main river.
hamlet	Settlement smaller than a town. Often just a few houses.

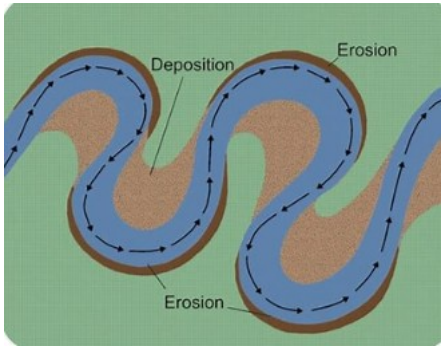




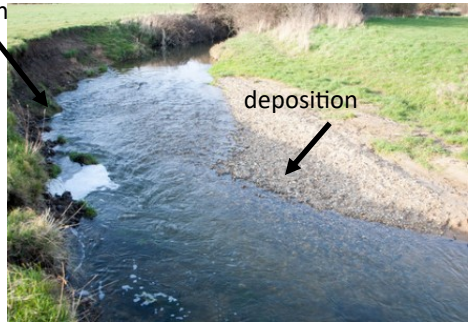
Ox-bow lake



Most settlements are built along rivers. The river provides food, transport, irrigation for crops and recreation.

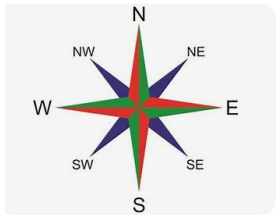


Erosion



Types of settlement in order of size.

Hamlet, village, town, city



Key Rivers

River Severn (UK) (220 miles)

Source: Plynlimon.

Mouth: Severn estuary



Mississippi River (USA) (2,340 miles)

Source: Lake Itasca

Mouth: Gulf of Mexico



Longest rivers in the world

Parana River (South America) 4,880km

Yellow River (China) 5,464km

Yangtze (Asia) 6,300km

Amazon River (South America) 6,400km

Nile (Egypt) 6,650km