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Vocabulary

Summit

Reservoir

Gorges

Flow

Drift

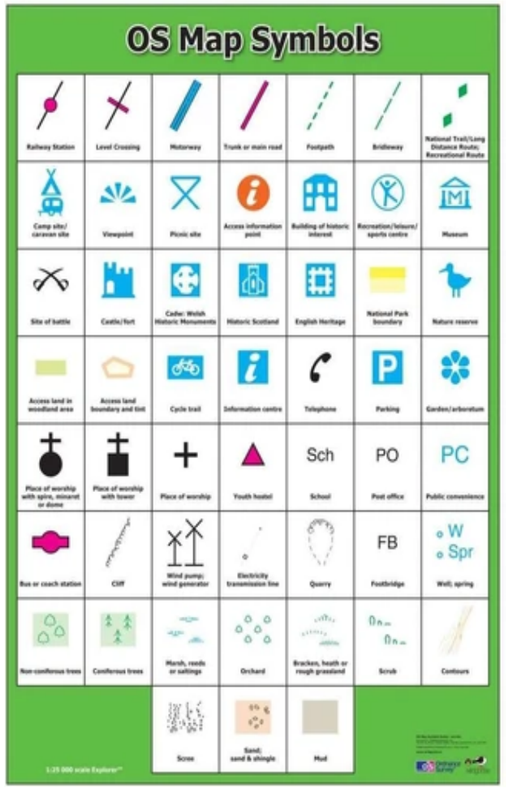
Peak

Ascent

Float

Evaporation

Precipitation



Mountains

Key facts

A mountain must be 1,000 ft or higher.

The three highest mountains are Mount Everest, Mount Mauna Kea and Mount Olympus.

Mount Everest (Tibet) = approx. 29,000ft

Mount Mauna Kea (Hawaii) = approx. 33,000ft. (however, only 14,000ft of this is above water.

Mount Olympus (On Mars!) approx. 82,000ft (almost 3 times as tall as Mount Everest.

The highest mountain in Scotland is Ben Nevis.

The highest mountain in Wales in Snowdon.

The highest Mountain in England is Scafell Pike.

Famous Mountain Ranges

The Himalayas (Asia)

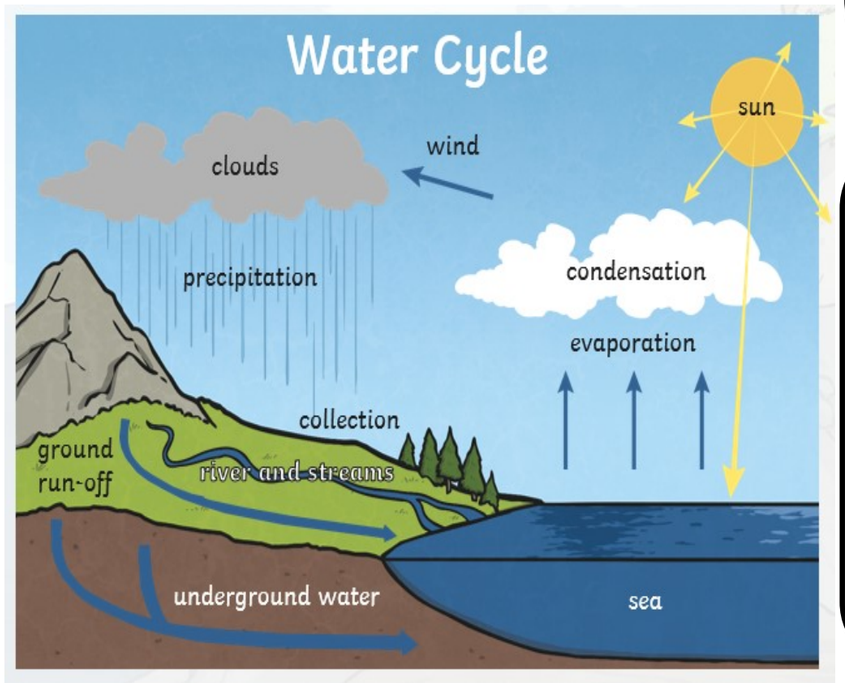
The Andes (South America)

The Rockies (North America)

The Alps (Europe)

The Urals (Russia)

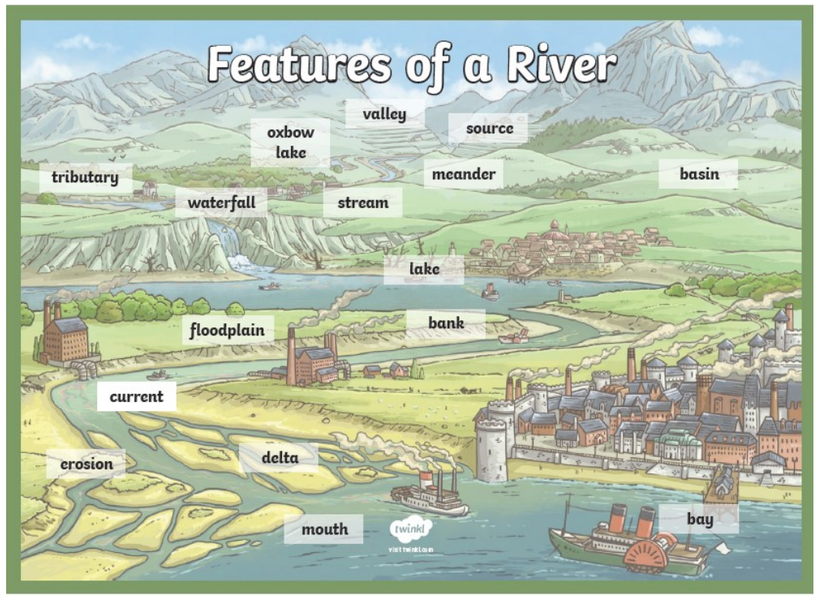
The Atlas (Africa)



Rivers

Key Facts

- A river is a path that water takes as it flows downhill, normally towards another river or lake, sea or ocean.
- Rivers come in different shapes and sizes and often join together to make longer rivers.
- As rivers are a ready source of water, lots of plants/animals often live near them.



Famous Rivers

Nile (Africa)

Amazon (South Africa)

Yangtze (Asia)

Thames (Europe)