

Where Does Our Water Come From?

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- I can locate key rivers of the UK.

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Raindrops



- Imagine you are one of these droplets.
- You've fallen 2km to the ground, falling at speeds of up to 40mph!
- Where do you land?
- What do you see?
- What happens next?

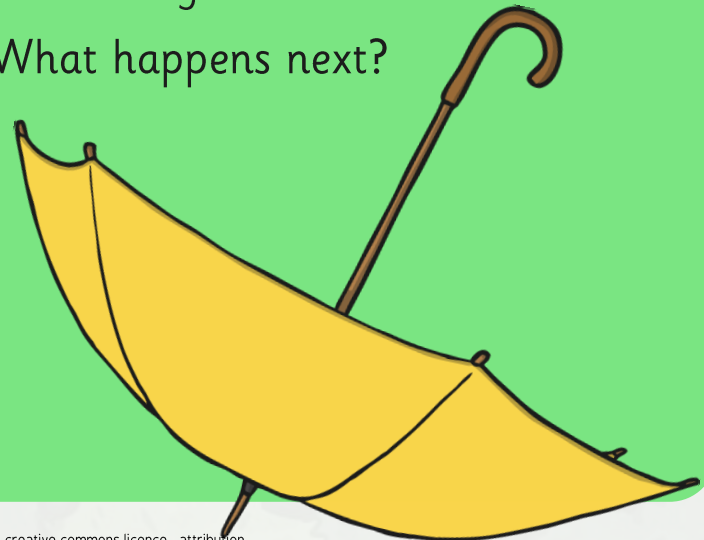
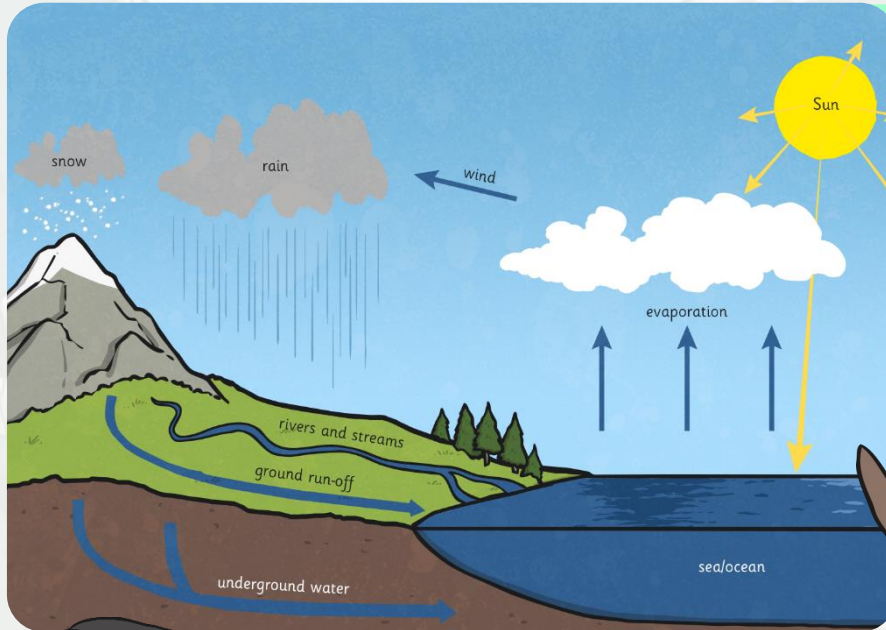


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The Water Cycle



Can you see your raindrop's journey through the water cycle?

It's a cycle – the same water keeps going around and around...

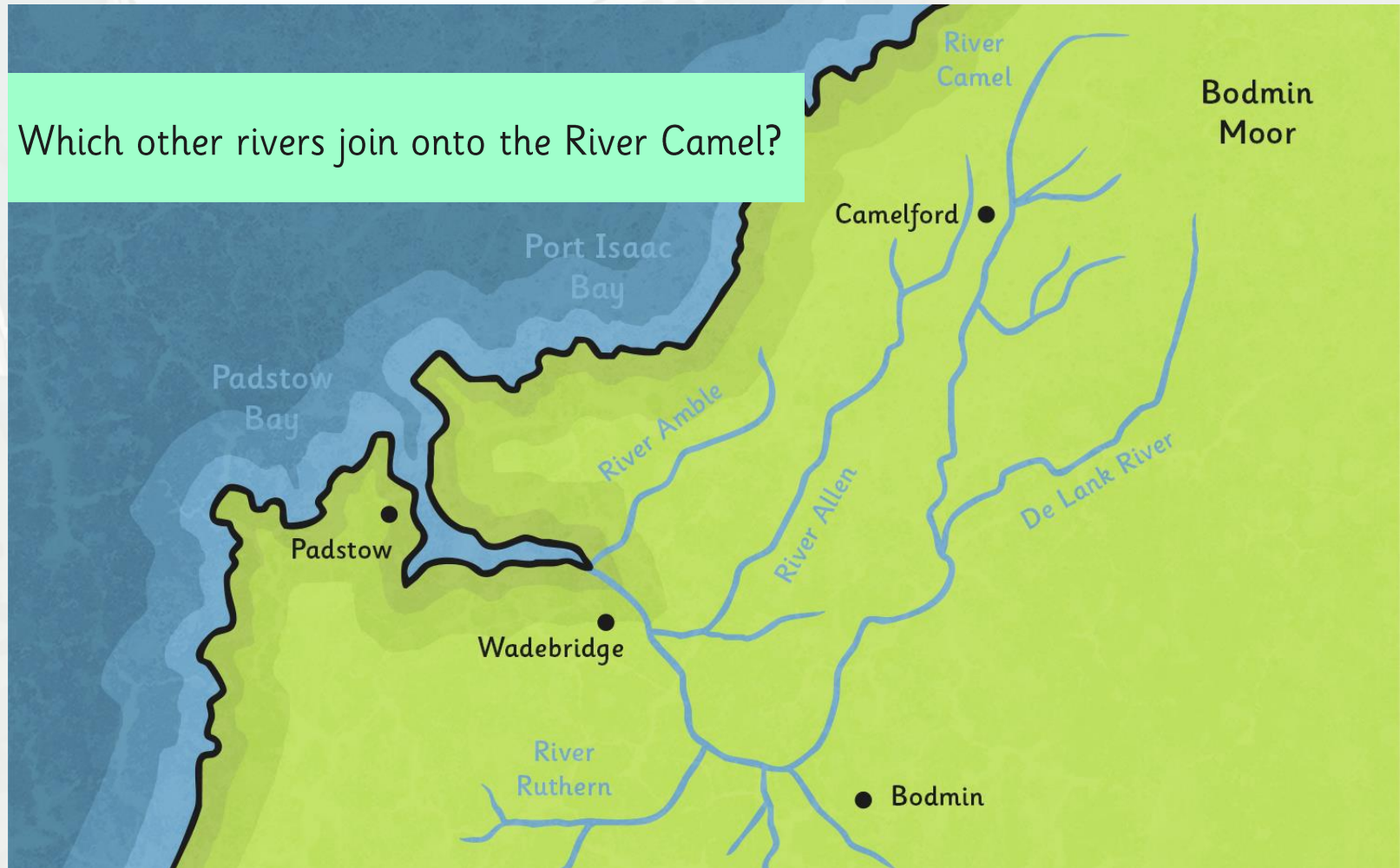


Who has been sharing your drink?



Rivers of England

Which other rivers join onto the River Camel?



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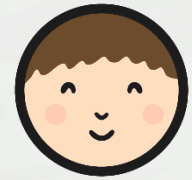
Questions

Look at this map of the River Thames.

1. Where does the river start?
2. Where does it end?
3. Which major places does it run through?



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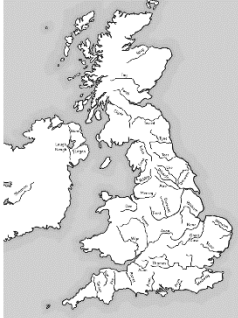


Use your atlas to find out more about the course of some UK rivers.

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UK Rivers

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On the Move



Press the play button to watch this video about the changing position of the source of the River Thames.



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