Lesson 2 and 3 (Theme: Investigating Rivers)

Key Question: How are the River Nile and a river of your choice similar and different?

WALT: To investigate two rivers in detail including the effects on the environment and landscape

Watch the videos, go through the PowerPoint presentation 'World Rivers Fact Power Point' and do your own research to complete the activities.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cz_hBdK6yVQ

Activity 1: Study the River Nile - Research and present information

Come up with a list of questions you could investigate such as:

- How long is the Nile?
- What countries does it run through?
- How is the Nile used by the people who live near it?
- What course does the river take?
- Why is the River Nile important to Egypt?
- What would happen if the River Nile had never formed?
- How would this have affected Egypt both in the past and in the present?

Think about how we could find the answers to these questions and how you can present your research.

Activity 2: Research and present information about another well-known world river

Now investigate a river of your choice. There are many rivers around the world with interesting features. What river do you want to find out about and why?

Think about a river you want to investigate and why. What questions you might want to investigate? How are you going to find the answers to your questions? How will you present your information?

It could be -
How does the River Ganges affect the people who live on its banks?
How does the River Amazon provide a safe habitat for the creatures that live there?
What is the water from the Indus River used for?
You can present your findings in more than one way e.g. by using graphs, descriptions and pictures!

Activity 3: Compare and contrast two rivers

Identify features that are the same and different about the River Nile and the River that you have researched about. Why do you think the two rivers are different? Why do you think the two rivers are similar?

You can present your comparison in more than one way - either in paragraphs using comparing and contrasting conjunctions or using a table/Venn diagram/double bubble.

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