

Knowledge Organiser—Year 5

“Should lions be kept in captivity?”

Vocabulary

Captivity—the condition of being imprisoned or confined.

Veld—open, uncultivated country or grassland in southern Africa.

Waterhole— a depression in which water collects, especially one that is regularly drunk from by animals.

Orphaned—a child whose parents are dead.

Debate—a formal discussion on a particular matter in a public meeting, in which opposing arguments are put forward and which usually ends with a vote.

Rivers—natural streams of fresh water that flow into seas, oceans and lakes.

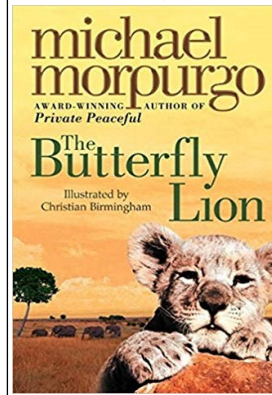
Meander—a large bend in a river.

Mouth—where a river flows into the sea.

Source—where something comes from.

The Water Cycle—the circulation of the earth's water.

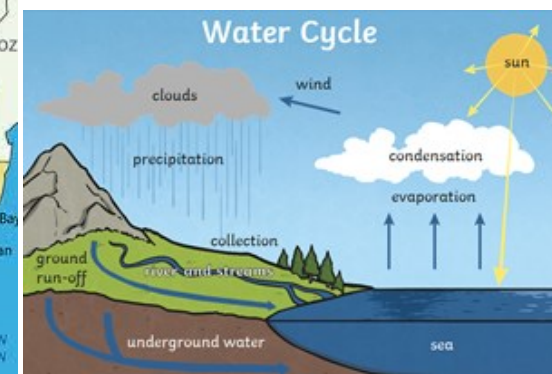
The Butterfly Lion



South Africa



The Water Cycle



Key facts

The water cycle is the journey water takes as it moves from the land to the sky and back again.

It follows a cycle of evaporation, condensation, precipitation and collection.

Rivers are habitats for many different species of animals all around the world - from the crocodiles of the Nile, to the salmon in the river Clyde.

Many people around the world wash themselves and their clothes using water from rivers.

Irrigation is when water is taken from rivers and spread all over the land to help crops grow.

Rivers provide travel routes for exploration, trade and leisure.

Rivers are an important energy source. During the early industrial era, mills, shops, and factories were built near fast-flowing rivers where water could be used to power machines. Today steep rivers are still used to power hydroelectric plants and their water turbines.

The longest river in the UK is the river Severn, it is 220 miles in length. It begins in Wales and enters the Atlantic Ocean near Bristol in England.

Among the most important rivers in the UK is the Thames, which flows into the North Sea. Its length is 346 km and it is the deepest river in Britain.

Longest rivers in the world: Nile, Amazon, Yangtze, Yellow River, Congo River, Parana River.