



Over the years teachers have suggested these books and resources. Please review each for yourself and the needs of your classroom students.

Children's Books

Atwell, Debby. River. Houghton Mifflin, 1999. Life in early America grows and people begin to settle along the banks of the river. Overuse and misuse of the river lead to pollution. The people remembered how it had been and they began to change things.

Bain, Iain. Water on the Land. 1984

Baker, Susan. First Look at Rivers. Gareth Stevens, 1991. Explains how rivers begin, travel and end and how they benefit mankind.

Bellamy, David. The River. New York, Clarkson N. Potter Publishers, distributed by Crown Publishers, 1988

Cherry, Lynne. A River Ran Wild. Scholastic, 1992. Depicts how the Nashua River was affected by the textile mill and how it was saved by people.

Dabovich, Lydia. Follow the River. Sundance Big Books.

Dineen, Jaqueline. Rivers and Lakes. 1986

Dorros, Arthur. Follow the Water from Brook to Ocean. Let's Read and Find Out Science Series. Eyewitness Series. Pond & River.

Harper Collins Publishers, 1991. Water flows from a brook to a stream to a river to the ocean. Shows how water shapes the earth and why it is important to keep our water clean.

Fowler, Allan. Living Near a River. Children's Press, 2000. This is part of the Rookie Read-About-Science Series.

Geisert, Bonnie. River Town. Houghton, 1999. Shows the different seasons in a small town.

George, Jean Craighead. To Climb a Waterfall. Philomel Books, 1995. A boy follows the stream to get to the waterfall.

Halpern, Shari. My River. Macmillan. This book asks the question, "Whose river is this?" Good book for pre-schoolers and beginning readers. The importance of caring for rivers that belong to all of us is presented in an appealing format.

Holling, Holling C. Paddle-to-the-Sea. Houghton Mifflin, 1941. An Indian boy takes a journey from Lake Superior to the Atlantic Ocean in a small canoe.

Hooper, Meredith. River Story. Candlewick Press, 2000. Depicts the river from its source to its mouth.

Jeunesse, Gallimard. The River. Scholastic, 1992. A First Discovery Book. Book depicts plant and animal life near the river. The use of see-through plastic pages that change the pictures provides the magic of discovery.

LeMarche, Jim. The Raft. Harper Collins Publishers, 2000. Nick isn't happy about spending the summer with his grandmother. A raft appears and changes everything as he begins to explore the river and woods around him.

Llamas Ruiz, Andres. Rivers. Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 1996. Depicts a river at its source and takes the reader through the different stages until it reaches the mouth.

Locker, Thomas. Water Dance.



Locker, Thomas. Where the River Begins. Dial Books, 1984. Two boys and their grandfather go on a camping trip to find the source of the river.

Lourie, Peter. Hudson River, An Adventure from the Mountains to the Sea. Caroline House, 1992. Author describes the Hudson River from its mountain brook in the Adirondack Mountains to its mouth at the southern tip of Manhattan where it meets the Atlantic.

Magdonz, James. Go Home, River. Alaska Northwest Books, 1996. Book relates to the water cycle and the native peoples of Alaska. A family sails on the river to its delta and continues along the Arctic coast and an unexpected reunion with the river.

Michel, Francois. Water. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books, 1993. This is a pop-up, pull-tab, lift-the-flap guide to the most valuable natural resource, water.

McCall, Edith. Abe and the Wild River.

Michl, Reinhard. A Day on the River. Barrons, 1985.

Morris, Neil. Rivers and Lakes (Wonders of Our World, No. 1).

O'Dell, Scott. Streams to the River, River to the Sea. Fawcett Juniper, 1988. Historical fiction of the life and explorations of Sacagawea.

Pallotta, Jerry. The Freshwater Alphabet Book.

Poet, Bill. Farewell to Shady Glade. Houghton Mifflin, 1966. A group of animals live in a quiet glade of sycamore, willows, and cottonwoods along the banks of a winding creek. Their lives are interrupted by a rumbling sound. They have to relocate and finally find a place that suits them. The message of preserving our natural world comes through.

Say, Allen. A River Dream. Houghton Mifflin, 1988. A young boy opens a box of fishing flies when he is sick in bed. This is the beginning of a fantasy fishing trip.

Schmid, Eleanore. The Water's Journey.

Sheldon, Sidney & Mary. The Adventures of Drippy the Runaway Raindrop.

Stegner, Page, ed. Call of the River – Writing and Photographs.

Stutson, Caroline. On the River ABC.

Taylor, Barbara. River Life. DK Publishing, 1998. Depicts the flora and fauna living in and near the river. Use of text and photographs.

The Unfolding River. Quarto Publishing, 1992. (may be out of print) The pages of the book unfold from the source to the mouth of the river. Each page is filled with information: how valleys are shaped, the river's stages, drainage networks, the floodplain, sediments and braided streams, and rivers and lakes.

Tresselt, Alvin. Rain Drop Splash.

Williams, Jay and Abrashkin, Raymond. Danny Dunn and the Universal Glue. New York: McGraw Hill 1977.

For Teachers:

Gartrell, Jack E., Jr., Crowder, Jane and Callister, Jeffrey C. Earth: The Water Planet. Arlington, VA., National Science Teachers Association, 1992.

Firehock, Karen. Hands On Save Our Streams. Gaithersburg, MD: The Izaak Walton League of America, 1994.

Geography: Rivers Curriculum Guide. Dale Seymour Publications, 1997. This guide provides lessons that can be used with a study on rivers.

Haslam, Andrew. Make it Works! Rivers. World Book/Two-Can. 1996. This book gives precise explanatory text and information. Also included in the book are re-creations of physical landscapes and instructions for experiments and model-making projects.

River Cutters. GEMS, Lawrence Hall of Science, University of California at Berkeley, 1989.

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. A Rivers Curriculum Project. Aimed at grades 9-12.

Websites**www.awwa.org**

The American Water Works Association home page, this page is valuable for the links to member utility home pages. Some utilities are very open about sharing what they do for youth education.

www.uwex.edu/erc/etepaw/html

Put together by the University of Wisconsin Cooperative Extension Service, this page is a wealth of information on educating young people about water. Links lead you to lists of curricula available.

water.usgs.gov or www.usgs.gov/education/index.html

This page is the US Geological Service's Water page. One of the best offerings here are the water education posters.

www.yvw.com.au

A good site about watersheds from the Yarra Valley in Australia.

www.danenet.wicip.org/ywen

The Yahara Watershed Education Network is an informal umbrella for K-16 education activities that focus on local issues using watershed and ecosystem health as integrating concepts.

www.nceet.snre.umich.edu

The Environmental Education Link is the web page for the National Consortium for Environmental Education and Training. There are lots of environmental education links.

www.epa.gov/kids/water.htm or www.epa.gov/epahome/educational/htm

Go to the students and teacher link or to the kids link for great activities.

www.oms.edu

This site is for the Oregon Museum of Science and has some online activities.



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Water Company

www.stroudcenter.org

Stroud Water Research Center

www.lamotte.com

LaMotte Company – makers of test kits and some water curricula.

www.dep.state.ct.us

State of Connecticut Department of the Environment

www.amrivers.org

American Rivers is a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and restoring rivers nationwide. Look under “River ABC’s” for activities and information for kids and teachers.

www.siue.edu/OSME/river

Rivers Project Homepage.

www.nationalgeographic.com/geographyaction

2001 was the Year of the River. National Geographic has a great site devoted to rivers and education.

geography.about.com/cs/riversandstreams

A site of links to some good sites that have information on rivers.