

Yorkshire Dales Rivers Quiz

1. What is the source of a river? [It is where a river starts, on high ground in the hills, and may be a spring, a lake, marshy or boggy ground.](#)
2. Where is the source of the River Swale? [At the confluence of Birkdale and Great Sleddale Becks.](#)
3. The first section of a river is called the Upper Course. What are the other two sections called? [Middle Course and Lower Course.](#)
4. In what part of the river course are waterfalls usually found? [The Upper Course.](#)
5. Name two types of valley. Which type is formed by rivers? [U-shaped and V-shaped, the V-shaped is formed by Rivers \(the U-shaped by glaciers\).](#)
6. In which valley is Aysgarth Falls found? [Wensleydale.](#)
7. Name 3 species of birds which you might find near a river: [Kingfisher, Grey Heron, Mallard, Dipper, Grey Wagtail and Sandpiper, Sand Martin, Goosander.](#)
8. Name 3 sorts of river invertebrates found in a healthy river: [Mayfly nymphs, cased caddisfly larvae, stonefly nymphs, freshwater shrimp, freshwater crayfish, damselfly nymphs.](#)
9. What is a meander? [A natural bend in a river.](#)
10. Rivers constantly move and change shape. What two processes cause this to happen? [Erosion and deposition.](#)
11. Which river flows through the town of Ilkley? [The River Wharfe](#)
12. What is a floodplain? [The area by the side of the river where the river naturally floods.](#)
13. What is the main river which flows through York? [The River Ouse.](#)
14. What is the name of the sea that all rivers from the Yorkshire Dales eventually flow in to? [The North Sea.](#)