Knowledge Organiser

Subject: Geography Main Learning: Know how a river is formed

Key knowledge	
Know how a river is formed	Date completed
What are the main features of a river?	
What is a water cycle and why is it important?	
What are the features of the upper, lower and middle courses of a river?	
Why have so many cities been created close to a river?	
How would you carry out a river study?	

Vocabulary	
estuary	An estuary is an area where a freshwater river or stream meets the ocean
source	The source of a river is where it begins, usually on high ground
meander	A meander is a winding curve or bend in a river
tributary	When one stream or river meets another and merge together, the smaller stream or river is known as a tributary
erosion	Erosion occurs when the fastest currents in the river carve into the banks
deposition	Rocks and sediments eroded from one part of the river are deposited in another part









Prior Knowledge -