TOPIC

LO: to recognise river crossings and their relationship to geography

LKS2 Topic: Mountains, Rivers and Coasts Block B: Rivers for People Session 1

Bridges



A river in its upper course would be fast and narrow.

A river in its lower course would be slow and wide.





From earliest times people have had to cross rivers.

But swimming or wading across a river can be very dangerous.



Stepping Stones

Ford



Bridges come in all shapes and sizes!





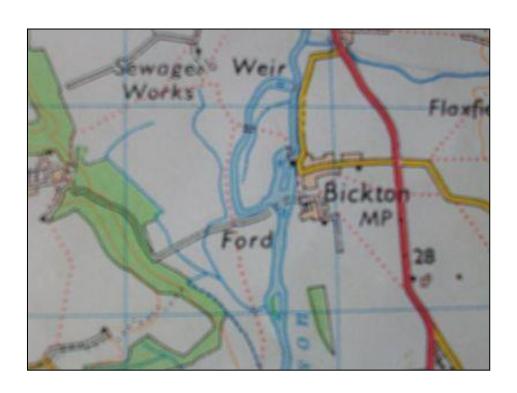
Here is a passenger ferry that transports people across a river.

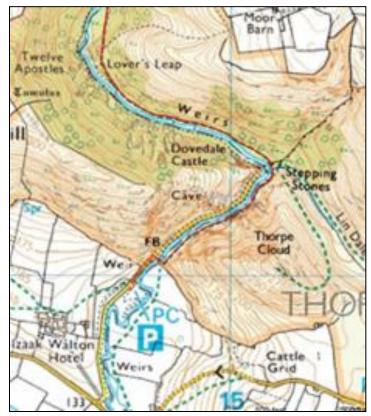




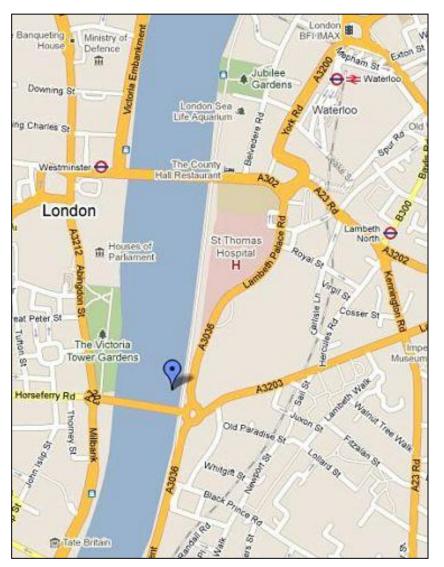
This ferry is big enough to take vehicles.

Fords and stepping stones are labelled on maps.





They usually show the blue line of the river flowing over the road or footpath.



These 2 maps show bridges, a ferry and even a foot tunnel under the River Thames.



Place Names from River Crossings





This is a very old university town called Cambridge.

Can you guess the name of the river that flows through it?

Hint—look again at the name of the town.

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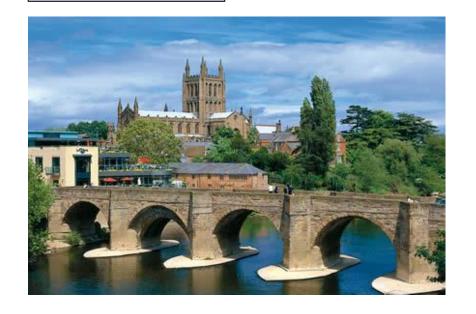




The river in Cambridge is called the Cam.



Hereford



Stourbridge

Ashford



Can you think of any other places that are named after river crossings?

Here is a map of London with a few:



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Famous Bridge Quiz!





Tower Bridge, London





Sydney Harbour Bridge, Sydney, Australia



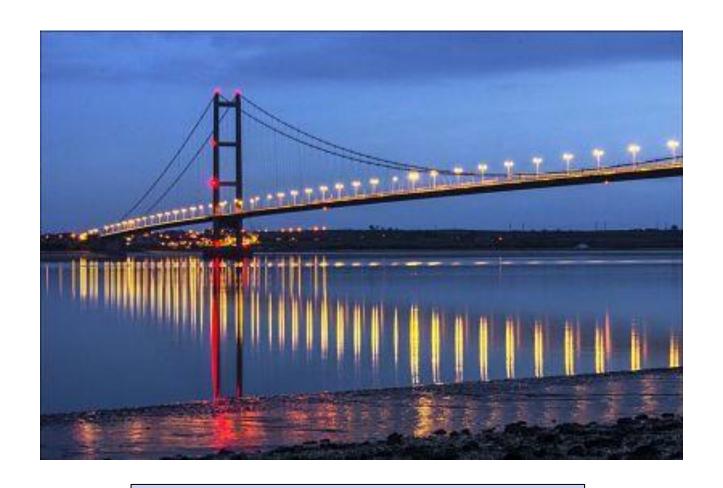


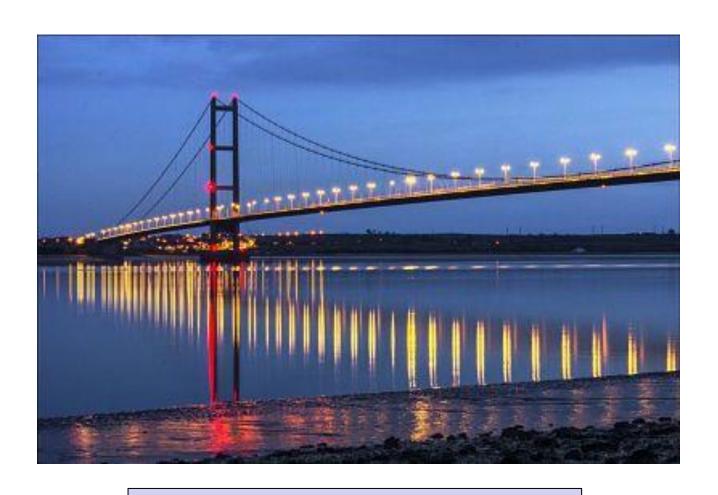
Clifton Suspension Bridge, Bristol





Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, USA





The Humber Bridge, Hull