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Symbol	Feature and definition	Picture	Fact
	Riverside vegetation Plants growing at the edge of the river	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Meander A natural bend in the river that occurs when the river meets an obstacle	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Woody debris Fallen trees, logs and sticks that have settled in the river	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Riffle A shallow area of the river where the water passes over stones making the water look bumpy	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Weir A low dam or wall built across the flow of the river causing a cascade over the top like a waterfall	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Built riverbank A stretch of the riverbank where a wall has been built along the river's edge	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Aquatic plants Plants that are growing in the river	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Overhanging trees Trees rooted on the riverbank with branches that reach over the water	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>