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THE RIVER

Leveled Reader



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Water is in the river.

A large, dark-colored fish with a prominent black stripe along its side and a bright orange tail is swimming in a clear, blue-green pond. The water is filled with sunlight filtering through, creating shimmering patterns. In the foreground and background, there are lush green plants, including what appears to be a large, leafy plant on the left and a dense patch of grass-like plants on the right. The overall scene is vibrant and natural.

Fish and plants live in the water.



Frogs and turtles live in the water.

A pond filled with water lilies. The lily pads are large and have a striking variegated pattern of dark purple and bright green. Several pink water lilies are in various stages of bloom, with some fully open and others as buds. The water is dark and reflects the surrounding foliage.

Flowers live in the water.



Birds live in the water.



Birds drink the water.

A photograph of an adult elephant and a baby elephant standing in a shallow body of water. The adult elephant is on the left, with its trunk curled and its mouth open, drinking water. The baby elephant is on the right, also with its trunk curled and drinking. The background shows a grassy field and a sandy bank. A green banner at the bottom contains the text "Elephants drink the water."

Elephants drink the water.



Hippos drink the water.



Grass grows by the river.



Zebras eat the grass.



This is the river.

The River

Correlations

Kindergarten

High frequency words

and, by, in, is, the, this

Story words

birds, drink, elephants, fish, flowers, frogs,
grass, grows, hippos, live, plants, river, tree,
turtles, water, zebra

Reading Recovery

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Guided Reading

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Kinder Science Standards K-ESS3-1

Guiding questions:

- Can you think of other animals that live in the water?
- Why do animals go to the river?
- Why do plants live near the river?
- Do people need rivers too?

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