Year 3 Blue Spring 2: Why Is Water Precious?

Sticky Knowledge

Water can exist in three forms: liquid (water), solid (ice) or gas (water vapour).

About 70% Earth is covered in water.

There are underground reservoirs called aquifers.

Some water in the ground may stay there for thousands of years.

Water can be used to create electricity through a hydro-electric power station.

The Nile is 4132 miles long, making it the longest river in the world.

Humans are made up of about 75% water.

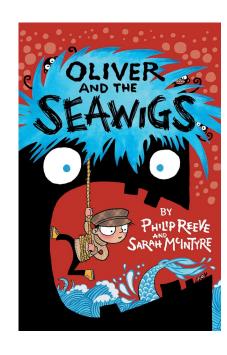
97% of water is in the oceans (this is salty water) and 2% is in the ice caps, leaving only 1% available for us to drink.

The Amazon river is situated in Brazil, it is 4000 miles long. And runs through the Amazon rainforest.

Britain's longest river (220 miles) from Wales to Bristol is the river Severn.



Key Text



Topic Vocabulary	
Roots	The root is the part of a plant that typically lies below the surface of the soil.
Stem	The stem is the plant axis that bears buds and shoots with leaves.
Nutrients	Nutrients are the food the plant wants. Most of the plant's nutrients comes from the soil.
Leaves	These make food for the plant using sunlight and carbon dioxide from the air
Flowers	These make seeds to grow into new plants. Their petals attract pollinators to the plant.
Evaporation	When a liquid turns into a gas.
Pollinator	Animals or insects which carry pollen between plants. Examples include birds, bees and bats.
Germination	When a seed starts to grow.
Pollination	When pollen (a fine powdery substance produced by a flowering plant) is moved from the male anther of a flower to the female stigma.
Fertilisation	When the male and female parts of the flower have mixed in order to make seeds for new plants.
Seed Dispersal	A method of moving the seeds away from the parent plant so that the seeds have the best chance of survival.