

Bug Life Geography

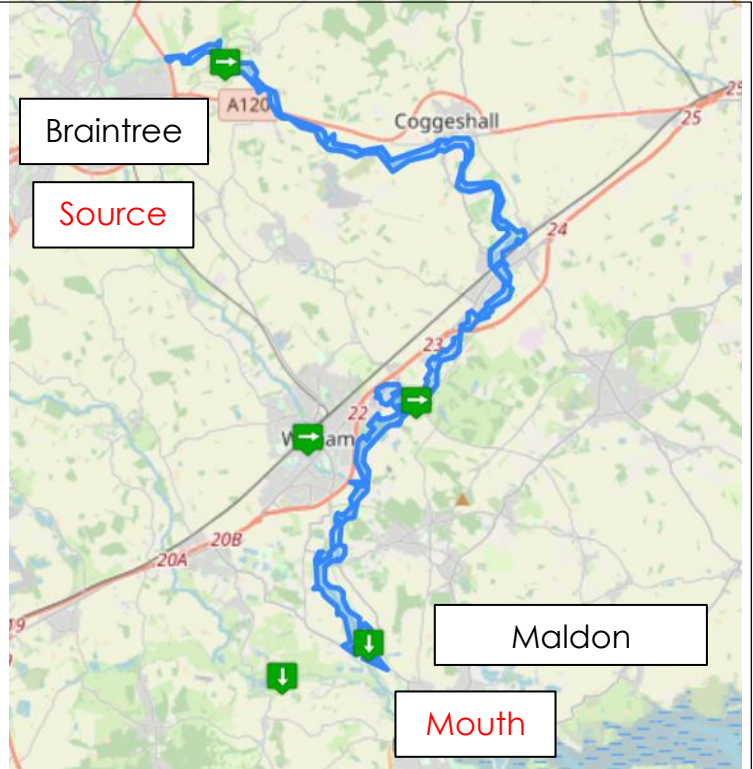
KEY VOCAB

Litter	Rubbish left in a public place
Pollution	Substance harmful to the environment
Flow	Water moves along the river
Weir	Barrier that alters the flow of water
Source	Start of the river
Mouth	River flows into large body of water
Downstream	Direction that a river flows.

How a river flows

A river is a water that flows downhill. The energy of flowing river water comes from the force of gravity, which pulls the water downward. The steeper the slope of a river, the faster the river moves and the more energy it has.

River



The source of the river Blackwater starts in Braintree. The mouth of the river is in Maldon where the river meets the sea.

Pollution harms the rivers



Why are rivers important?

- Support local wildlife
- Provide drinking water
- Supports livelihoods
- Leisure
- Habitats for lots of animals
- Transport for humans

Human features

Roads
Mill
Footpath
Houses
Bridges