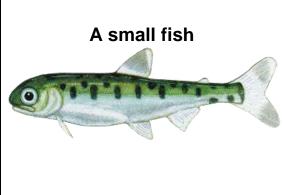




Rivers Day Scavenger Hunt

Hello Super Scientists! Did you know that rivers and streams are vital in providing homes for many of our critter friends? They all work together to create what we call an ecosystem. An ecosystem is a community of interacting organisms and their environment. Many people only think of animals when they learn of ecosystems, but in reality, an ecosystem has animals, plants, and NON-living things too. Animals need to hide inside rocks and dead trees. Water is needed to drink, and some animals live in the water. Air is a non-living part of an ecosystem as well — all animals need air. How many different parts of an ecosystem can you find in your local river or stream?



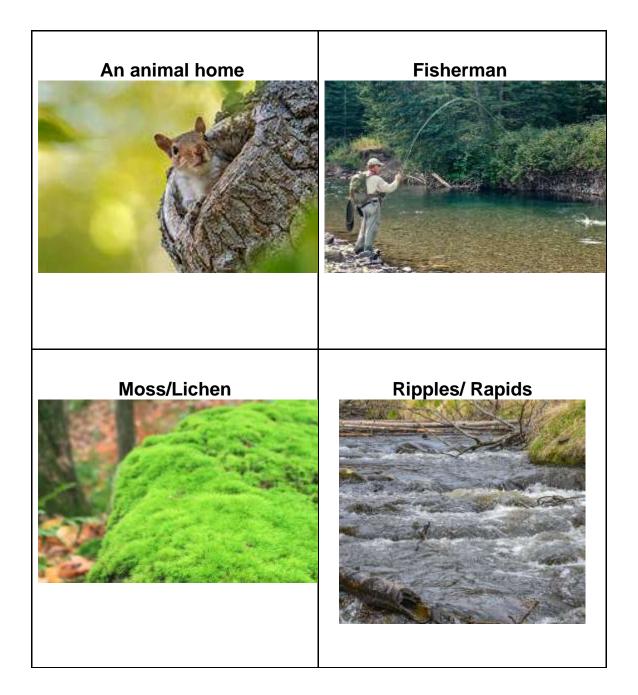






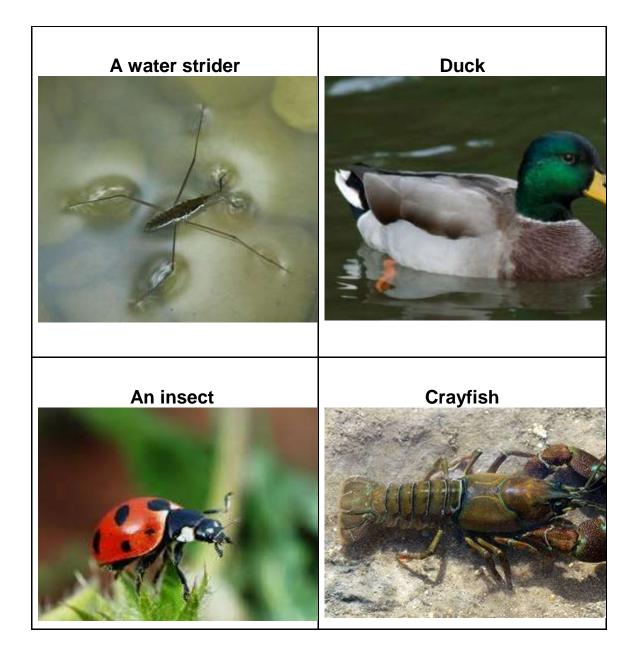


















Bonus Riddle:

What runs all day but never walks; often murmurs but never talks; has a bed but never sleeps; has a mouth but never eats?

Answer: A river!