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River Systems

Directions: Learn about river systems. Then draw and label a river system diagram below.

A river system, like a tree and its branches, is made up of a main river and all of its smaller streams, or tributaries. The point at which two rivers meet is called the confluence. The entire land area that is drained by a river system is called a river basin, or, at times, it is called a watershed.

Many of earth's landforms are created by rivers and their systems. Research how each landform or water element is created.

valley: _____
gorge: _____
waterfall: _____
rapids: _____
point: _____
delta: _____
distributary: _____