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The Nile Flows Up the Map

Circle group

The Nile is a long river in Africa. It starts in the south. It flows north to the sea. On a map, it runs up the page.

Most land near the Nile is dry desert. But the river has water. Plants grow in a green strip by the banks. Farmers grow food there. Birds and fish live there.

People have built homes near the Nile for many years. All living things need water.

Questions

1. On what continent is the Nile?

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2. Which way does the Nile flow?

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3. What grows in a green strip by the banks?

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4. Who grows food near the river?

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5. Why do people live near the Nile?

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Words to know

desert: a very dry place with little rain
bank: the land along the side of a river
flow: to move along like water in a river
farmer: a person who grows food

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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The Nile Flows Up the Map

Triangle group

The Nile is a very long river in Africa. It starts in the south. Then it flows north until it reaches the sea. On a map, the river runs up the page. That is not what most rivers do on maps!

Most of the land near the Nile is dry desert. But the river brings water. Plants grow in a green strip along its banks. Farmers grow food there. Birds and fish live there too.

For many, many years, people have built homes near the Nile. Water is a big help to every living thing. Without the river, the land would be too dry.

Questions

1. On what continent is the Nile?

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2. Which way does the Nile flow?

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The Nile Flows Up the Map

Square group

The Nile is an extremely long river that runs through Africa. It begins in the south and flows northward until it reaches the sea. When you look at a map, the river stretches up the page.

Most of the land around the Nile is dry desert, but the river carries water through it. Plants grow in a green strip along its banks, farmers raise crops there, and birds and fish make their homes in and near the water.

For many, many years, people have built their homes close to the Nile. Water is a great help to every living thing.

Questions

1. On which continent does the Nile run?

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2. In which direction does the Nile flow?

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3. What grows in a green strip along the banks?

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4. Who raises crops near the river?

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5. Why have people built homes near the Nile for so long?

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For the teacher: The Nile Flows Up the Map

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: The Nile Flows Up the Map

Easier · 73 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.2

1. Africa.
2. North.
3. Plants.
4. Farmers.
5. The river gives water in a dry land.

Triangle: The Nile Flows Up the Map

This passage · 104 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 2.3

1. Africa.
2. North.
3. Plants.
4. Farmers.
5. The river gives them water in a dry land.

Square: The Nile Flows Up the Map

Harder · 100 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 5.4

1. Africa.
2. North.
3. Plants.
4. Farmers.
5. The river gives them water in a dry land.