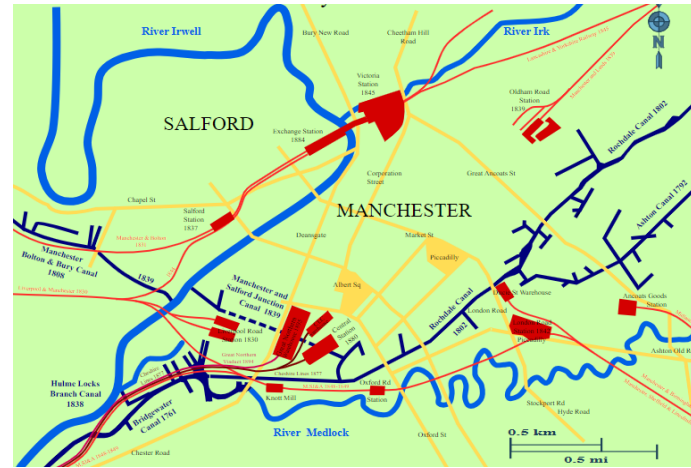


Why is the River Irwell important to Manchester?

Subject Specific Vocabulary	
river	A large natural stream of water flowing in a channel to the sea, a lake or another river.
mouth	A river mouth is the part of a river where the river flows into another river, a lake, a reservoir, a sea, or an ocean.
source	The source of a river is where it begins, usually on high ground.
meander	A meander is a winding curve or bend in a river.
economic activity	Actions that involve the production, distribution and use of goods.
industrial	A group of manufacturers or businesses that produce a particular kind of goods or services.
trade link	Buying, selling or exchanging goods between people, businesses, cities and countries.
natural resources	Something that is found in nature and can be used by humans.
tourism	When people travel for pleasure and visit places of interest.



Sticky Knowledge about the River Irwell

The start of a river is called the source and the end is called the mouth.

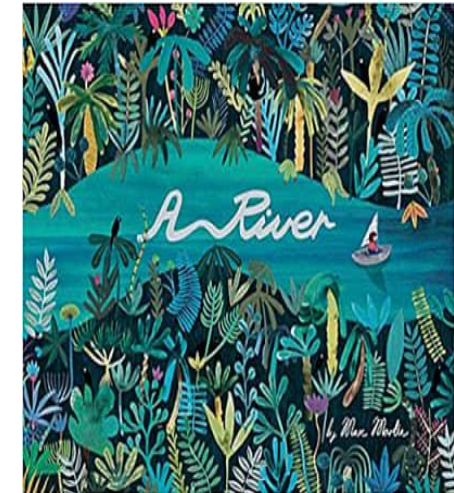
The River Irwell is a 39 miles (63 km) long river which flows through the Irwell Valley in the counties of Lancashire and Greater Manchester in North West England

The start of the river is at Irwell Springs on Deerplay Moor, about 1.5 miles (2.4 km) north of the town of Bacup, in the parish of Cliviger, Lancashire.

The Irwell flows through the city centres of Manchester and Salford, before joining the River Mersey near Irlam.

The Irwell was a major factor in the industrial revolution (1760-18250) in Manchester and the surrounding areas

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Geographical Skills

- Research the significance of the River Irwell throughout the last 150 years.
- Measure depth, width and velocity of local water sources. Use digital technologies to present data.
- Use a compass to orientate in an environment.
- Draw a route of the River Irwell including its tributaries.