



# River Thames

## Fact File



**Length:** 346 km (215 miles)

**Source:** Kemble, near Cirencester

**Mouth:** Southend-on-Sea, Essex, UK



The River Thames is the second longest river in the United Kingdom, behind the River Severn.

It rises at Thames Head in Gloucestershire and flows into the North Sea, passing through London, the country's capital. The Thames also runs through towns and cities, including Reading, Oxford, and Windsor.

Some of the most famous events in British history have taken place on or near the River Thames. Some of these include the Great Fire of London in 1666, the plot to blow up the houses of Parliament in 1605, and the signing of the Magna Carta in 1215.

Read the information above and then answer the questions.

1. How long is the River Thames? \_\_\_\_\_ km
2. What is the capital of England? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Which year did the Great Fire of London happen? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Unscramble the following words from the text.

s r o i w n d \_\_\_\_\_

t r i h s y o \_\_\_\_\_

i a e r p l m n a t \_\_\_\_\_

5. The River Thames is the second longest river in the United Kingdom. What is the longest river in the United Kingdom?

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