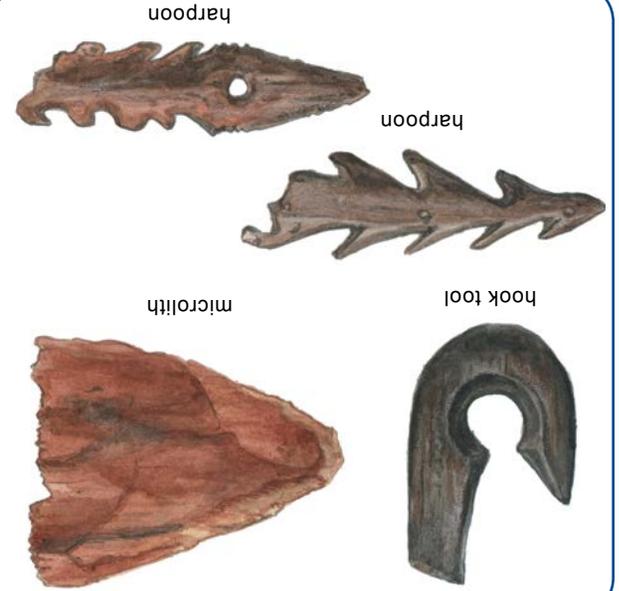


alluvial

artifact



Material deposited by a stream or by running water.

An object, such as a tool, made by humans.



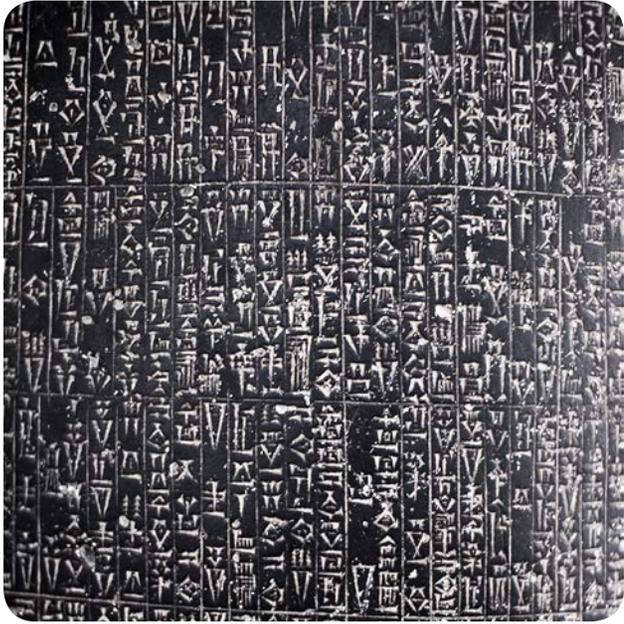
cataract

channel



A series of steep rapids or a waterfall
in a river.

The bed of a stream, river, or
other waterway.



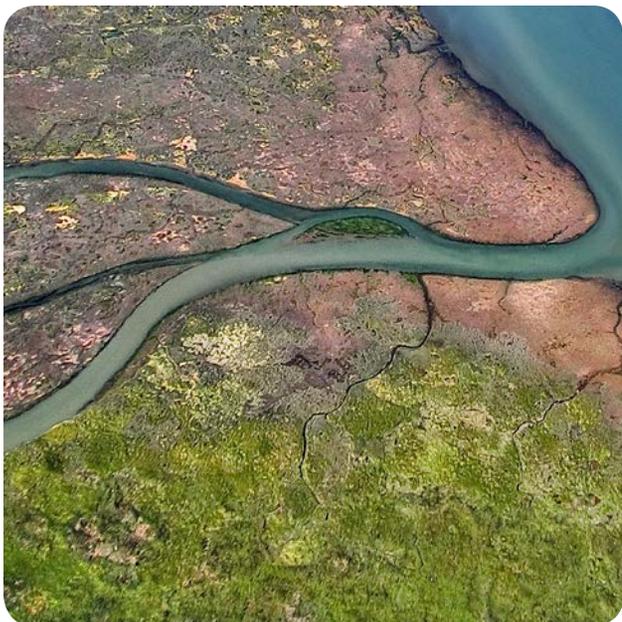
code

delta



A set of rules, principles, or laws
(especially written ones).

A large, usually triangle-shaped area at
the mouth of a river that gradually builds
up as the river deposits sediments.



deposition

erosion



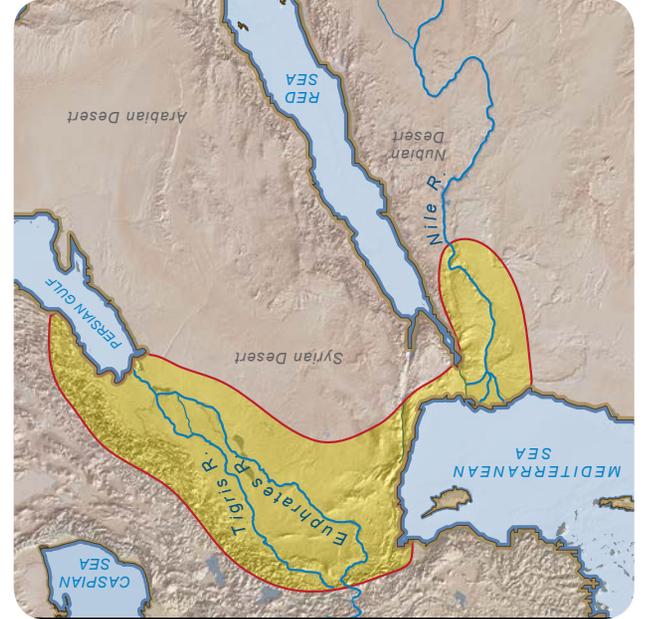
The depositing or settling of rock or soil from one place to another.

The moving of rock and soil from place to place by wind, water, or ice.



fertile (land)

Fertile Crescent



Land with nutrient rich soils that produce abundant plant growth.

An area of rich land from the Nile
River Valley to the Tigris and Euphrates
River Valley.



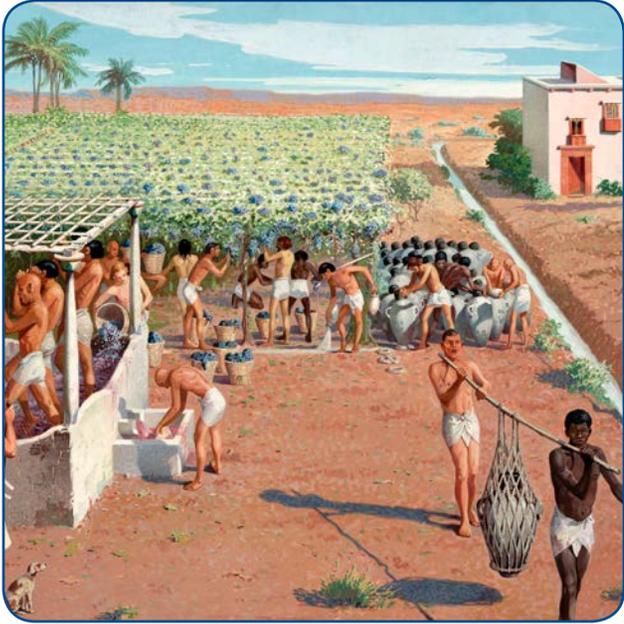
flood cycle

floodplain



The periodic seasonal pattern of flooding in a river system.

A flat area along a river that floods when water flows outside of a river's banks.



harvest

headwaters



(verb) To catch or gather food or supplies, such as fish, crops, and timber.

(noun) The act of gathering a crop or the food that is collected.

The springs or small streams that supply water where a river first starts.



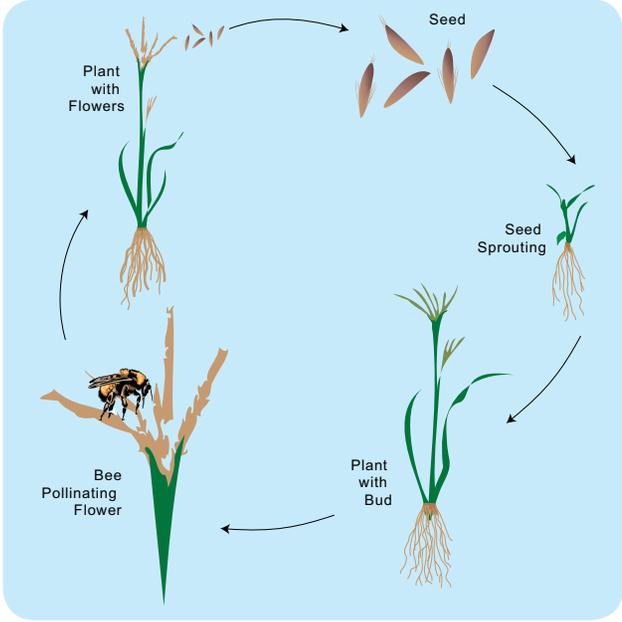
irrigation

Kush



A system that supplies water to land through pipes, artificial channels, or other means.

The ancient Nubian Empire located at the fourth cataract of the Nile River.



life cycle

meander



The changes organisms go through as they develop from eggs or seeds to adults that reproduce before they die.

A winding section of a river or stream.



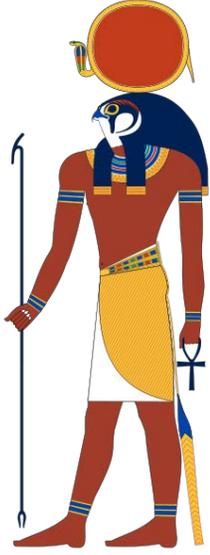
Mesopotamia

migration



A region of the ancient Middle East that is now modern Iraq.

The movement of animals, including humans, from one location to another.



myth

pyramid



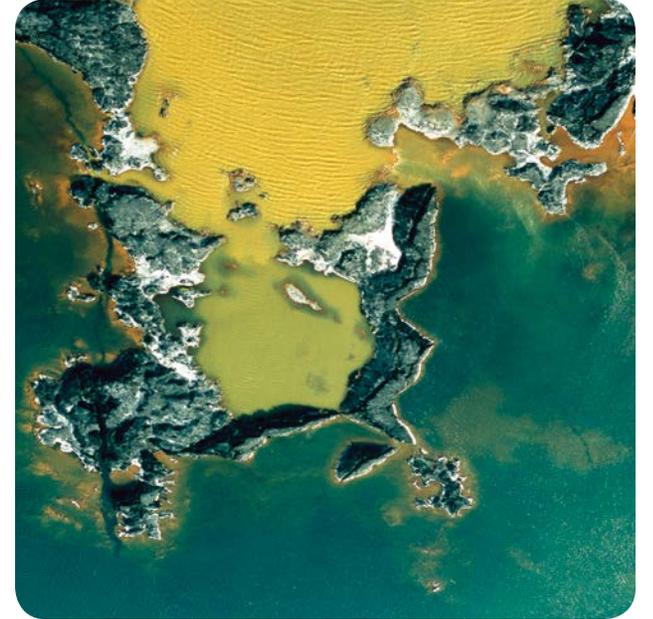
A traditional story that explains how the world was created or why the world is the way that it is.

A structure with a square or rectangular base and four triangular sides that meet at an apex, such as those built as tombs in ancient Egypt.



seasonal

sediment



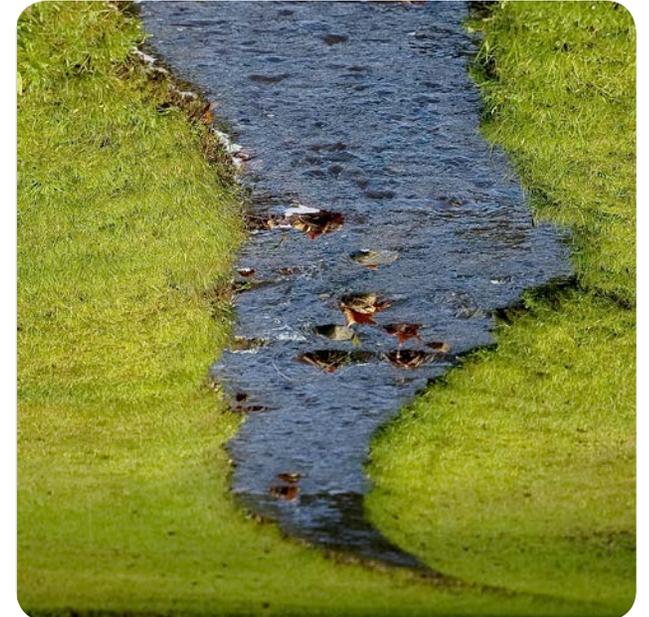
(adj.) Describing an event or process that occurs during a particular time of the year.

Stones, sand, and soil carried by water,
wind, or glaciers.



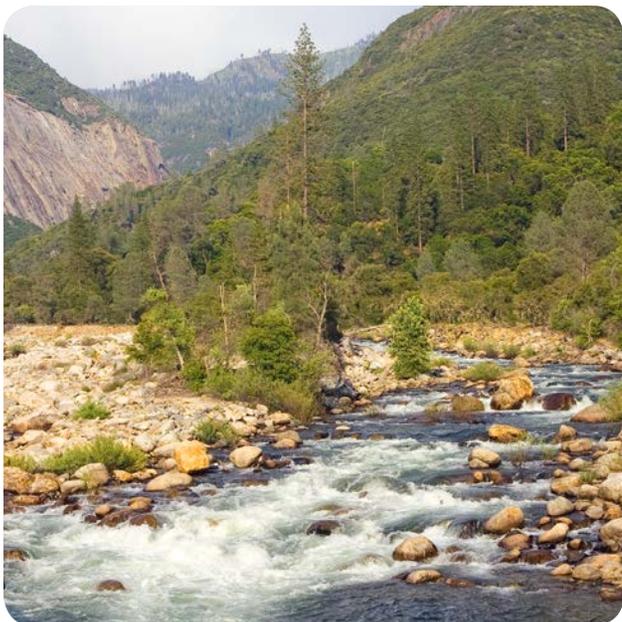
sedimentation

tributary



The settling of sand, rocks or other material carried by water, wind, or ice.

A small river or stream that flows into a larger one.



watershed

ziggurat



The land area that drains water into a particular body of water, such as a stream, river, lake, or ocean.

A large temple tower with a pyramid-shaped building at the top, used in worship.