

This is a dialogue between two classmates(Jay & Sharan) about the importance of the rivers.

Jay: Hi, Sharan, have you completed the geography homework for today?

Sharan: Yes, Jay! It was indeed a very interesting lesson on rivers today. I could barely wait to get home and finish it!

Jay: I agree. You know, back in my village, there is a mighty river flowing by our house. Whenever I visit, I cannot stop wondering about how important these rivers are to us!

Sharan: True, we get water, the elixir of life from these rivers. The agriculture industry too depends heavily on rivers. The fertile alluvial soil of river valleys and plains is ideal for growing crops. Almost all the great civilizations of the world arose in the fertile flood plains of the river.

Jay: That's right. These rivers are also an important habitat for innumerable animals and living organism. Marine, as well as other land animals, live by the river for food and water. They provide food to us too. The amazing fresh catch makes for some yummy fish curry in the village. Oh, those memories!

Sharan: Wow! That sounds great! I am just thankful for the river that we cross to reach my village. My village is far in the interiors on a hill which is separated by a river. Thus, it makes the river the only way to reach it.

Jay: Well, I can imagine, that must make for a very essential transport system for you and many others who need to cross travel to and from the village. Rivers provided routes for trade and commerce, exploration, settlement as well as recreation.

Sharan: Not just that, this fast-flowing river is one of the vital sources of energy. With the development of towns and industries, the water of rivers helped generate electricity and supply power for homes in cities and to operate machinery in the factories. It also lights up my village.

Jay: There are so many useful things these rivers do for us. Rivers are also used for various fun and sports-related activities like swimming, paragliding, boating. Rivers are also used by people for fishing. People often queue up on the bank of a river for fish catching and then enjoy doing the barbeque. They can be providers and protectors.

Sharan: True, let us pick a project on river conservation this semester, what do you think?

Jay: That's a great idea! Let's speak to our teacher about this tomorrow. Now, I better get home and finish my pending homework. Bye!