

NEAR DROWNING



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This is when a person becomes unconscious due to failure to breathe because the lungs are filled up with water



Places where near drowning can occur

- **Swimming pools**
- **In lakes**
- **In rivers**
- **Wells**
- **At dams**
- **Bathtubs filled with water**
- **Uncovered tanks having water**
- **Fish ponds**

Swimming pools





River Pools
CATCH THE WAVE

Wells





Bathtubs

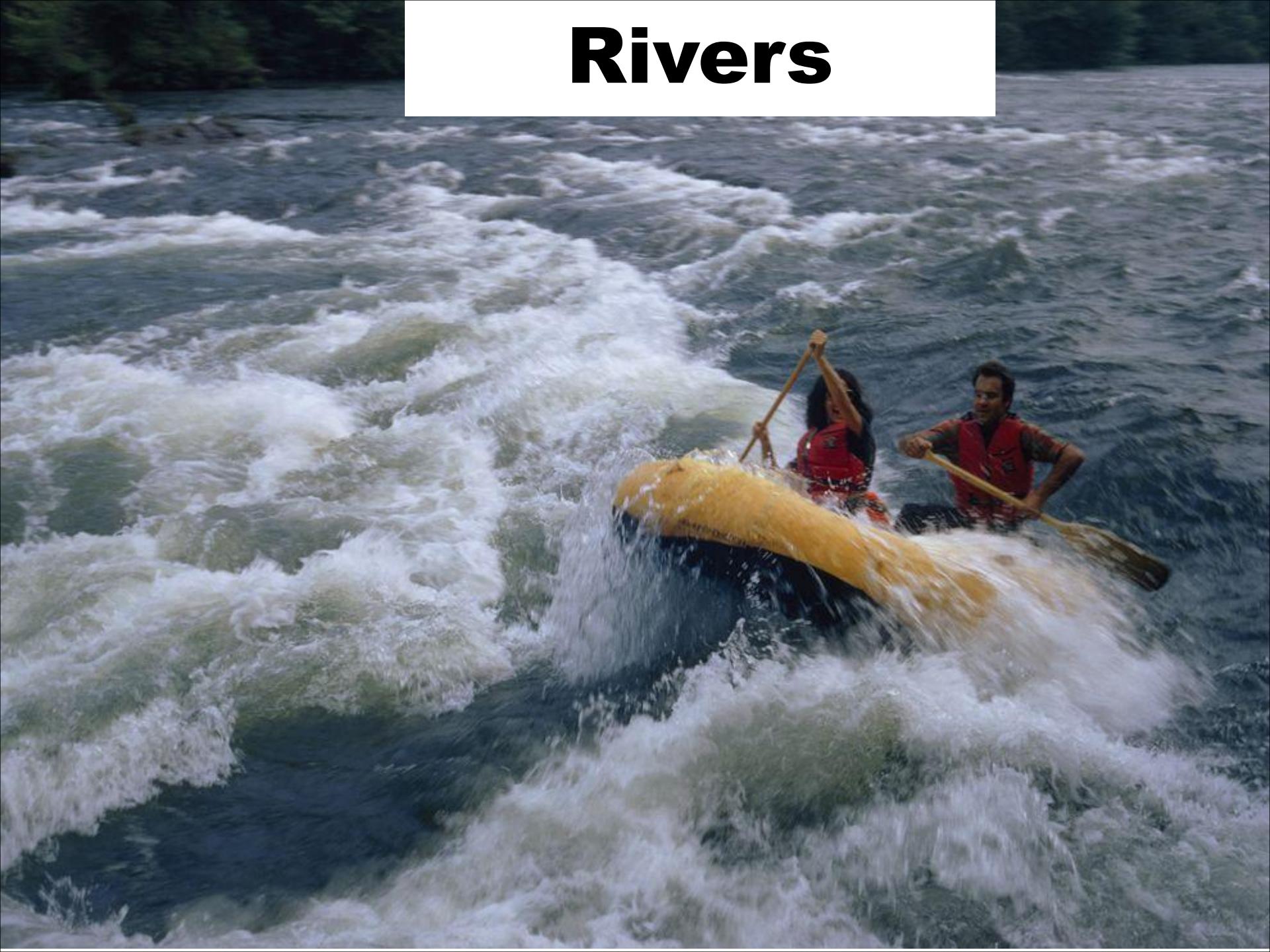




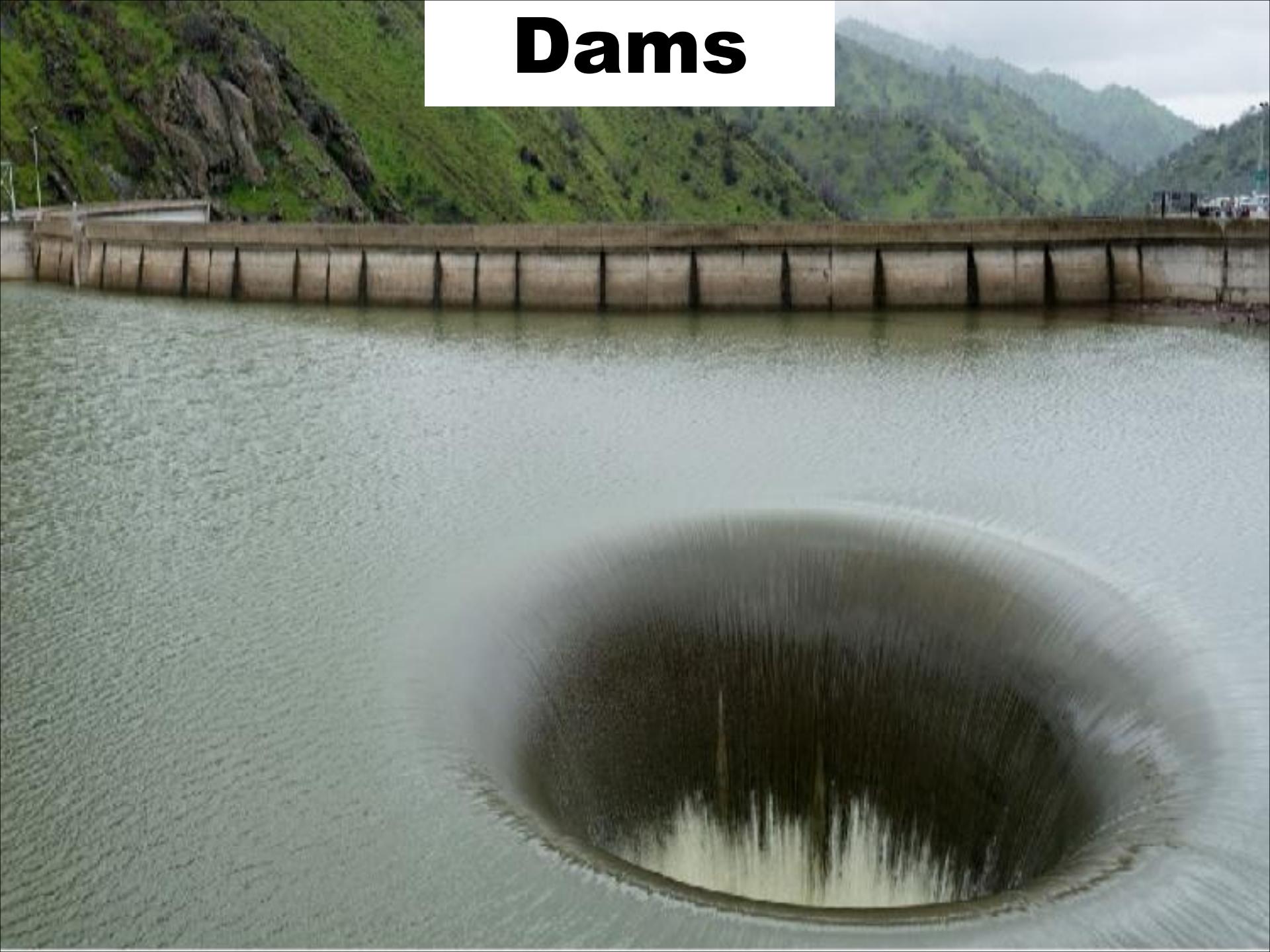
Lakes



Rivers



Dams





Water tanks



Fish ponds



ACTIVITY

- **What is near drowning?**
- **Mention any three places where near drowning may occur at home?**
- **Write in full**
 - I. ABC (as used in first aid)**
 - II. ABC (as used in family planning)**

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FIRST AID FOR NEAR DROWNING

Remove the victim from water



This must be done by a skilled person



**In the absence of a skilled rescuer,
shout for help**



Shout for help



2. Lay the person on their back and perform chest compressions



Perform chest compressions



3. Perform rescue breathing



Rescue breathing



This is also referred to as a giving a kiss of life



**Before giving a kiss of life, ensure that
the airways are open**

4.Call for a medical worker or take the victim to the hospital





PREVENTION OF NEAR DROWNING

Prevention of near drowning

- **By wearing a life jacket when travelling on water.**
- **By putting lifeguards around swimming pools to supervise swimming**
- **By using a lifebelt where necessary**
- **By covering water tanks properly.**
- **By joining swimming classes to acquire swimming skills.**
- **Bathtubs should not be left with water.**
- **By fencing fish ponds.**

Swimming pools should have lifeguards



A person wearing a bright orange sleeveless vest stands by a swimming pool. The word "LIFEGUARD" is printed in large white capital letters across the center of the vest. A black strap with a buckle secures the vest at the waist. The person is also wearing a red fanny pack with a black strap. In the background, the blue water of the pool is visible with lane lines. The edge of the pool is lined with white tiles and features colorful triangular flags hanging above. A few people can be seen in the distance in the water.

LIFEGUARD

Water tanks must be properly covered



Acquiring swimming skills





By wearing a life jacket





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By using a lifebelt





By fencing fish ponds



**Bathtubs should not be left with
water after use.**



Drowning is when a person dies due to failure to breathe because the lungs are filled up with water



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**There is no first aid for drowning because
the victim is already dead**

ACTIVITY

- **Give a difference between drowning and near drowning**
- **What is the importance of the following in reference to near drowning**
 - I. A lifebelt
 - II. A lifeguard
 - III. A kiss of life
- **Why isn't it necessary to give first aid to a drowned victim?**

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