

Rivers with Rocco and Chip

Rocco the crocodile and Chip the hippopotamus like to hang out together in the rivers of Africa where they mooch around waiting for something exciting to happen. Rivers are super important as they provide water to loads of other habitats. Not only that, but one river can support thousands of different species, from tiny insects to huge elephants. Let's hear more about Rocco and Chip and their cool habitat.

Facts about rivers

- 1. There are seven rivers in Africa with the longest being the Nile, measuring an incredible 3,417 miles!!!
- 2. Rivers around the world drain nearly 75% of the planet's land surface.
- 3. Rivers in Africa can go through huge changes during the year: from a dried up river bed one minute to a raging torrent full of life the next.



- 8. Rivers are responsible for carving out the world's largest canyons. Yes, even the Grand Canyon!!!
- 9. The largest river fish in Africa is the giant tigerfish, coming in at 1.5 m long and a weight of 50kg!
- 10. There are 16 species of kingfishers living in Africa, where they can be found nesting near rivers, streams and lakes.

Now it's your turn! What habitat do you want to build for your favourite Red Nose? Get your school involved in fundraising for Red Nose Day this year. Go to comicrelief.com/schools for tips and resources to make it easier than ever to take part.



- 4. There are 23 different species of crocodiles on the planet.
- 5. Crocodiles eat without chewing...how rude!
- 6. Hippos hang out in groups called schools or bloats.
- Hippos are smooth movers in water, but rely on propelling or pushing themselves off other things rather than swimming.



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