

Rivers of the world



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The longest and best-known rivers: how long they are (about), where they flow into and a city on their banks.

Great rivers

#	River	Length (about)	Flows into	City
1	Nile	6,650 km	Mediterranean Sea	Cairo
2	Amazon River	6,400 km	Atlantic Ocean	Manaus
3	Yangtze	6,300 km	East China Sea	Chongqing
4	Yellow River	5,460 km	Bohai Sea	
5	Congo River	4,700 km	Atlantic Ocean	
6	Lena River	4,400 km	Laptev Sea	
7	Mekong	4,350 km	South China Sea	
8	Niger River	4,200 km	Gulf of Guinea	Bamako
9	Mississippi River	3,770 km	Gulf of Mexico	Memphis
10	Ob	3,700 km	Kara Sea	Novosibirsk
11	Volga	3,650 km	Caspian Sea	Kazan
12	Yukon River	3,190 km	Bering Sea	
13	Indus River	3,180 km	Arabian Sea	Sukkur
14	St. Lawrence River	3,060 km	Gulf of St. Lawrence	
15	Rio Grande	3,060 km	Gulf of Mexico	Reynosa
16	Danube	2,890 km	Black Sea	Vienna
17	Amur	2,820 km	Sea of Okhotsk	Khabarovsk
18	Euphrates	2,800 km	Shatt al-Arab	Nasiriyah
19	Zambezi	2,740 km	Indian Ocean	
20	Ganges	2,530 km	Bay of Bengal	Prayagraj
21	Dnieper	2,290 km	Black Sea	Kyiv
22	Columbia River	2,250 km	Pacific Ocean	Portland
23	Tigris	1,950 km	Shatt al-Arab	Baghdad
24	Don	1,870 km	Sea of Azov	Rostov-on-Don
25	Limpopo River	1,800 km	Indian Ocean	
26	Rhine	1,230 km	North Sea	
27	Elbe	1,110 km	North Sea	Hamburg
28	Vistula	1,050 km	Baltic Sea	
29	Loire	1,010 km	Atlantic Ocean	Tours

Nile: Sources disagree on its length: from about 6,650 to 7,088 km. Amazon River: Sources disagree on its length: from about 6,400 to 6,992 km. Yangtze: Sources disagree on its length: from about 6,300 to 6,418 km. Mississippi River: With its longest tributaries, the whole river system is about 6,275 km long. Ob: With its longest tributaries, the whole river system is about 5,410 km long. Amur: With its longest tributaries, the whole river system is about 4,444 km long. Elbe: With its longest tributaries, the whole river system is about 1,252 km long. Vistula: With its longest tributaries, the whole river system is about 1,213 km long.

Lengths from the Wikipedia list of river systems by length (or the river's article), checked against Wikidata. The length of a river depends on where you measure its source and its mouth, so every length is approximate and some are disputed.

Mouth, countries and cities are shown only where Wikipedia and Wikidata agree.

Quiz: circle the right answer

1. Which river flows through Tours?

- a) Indus River b) Columbia River c) Mississippi River d) Loire

2. Which river is longer?

- a) Don b) Ganges

3. Where does the Tigris flow into?

- a) Shatt al-Arab b) Laptev Sea c) Baltic Sea d) Bering Sea

4. Which river is longer?

- a) Amazon River b) Mekong

5. Where does the St. Lawrence River flow into?

- a) Caspian Sea b) Gulf of Mexico c) Gulf of St. Lawrence d) Indian Ocean

6. Which river flows through Memphis?

- a) Yangtze b) Nile c) Mississippi River d) Tigris

7. Which river flows through Novosibirsk?

- a) Yangtze b) Amazon River c) Ob d) Don

8. Which river is longer?

- a) Lena River b) Yangtze

9. Where does the Vistula flow into?

- a) East China Sea b) Baltic Sea c) Indian Ocean d) North Sea

10. Where does the Zambezi flow into?

- a) Sea of Okhotsk b) Atlantic Ocean c) Bering Sea d) Indian Ocean

Answers

1. Loire
2. Ganges
3. Shatt al-Arab
4. Amazon River
5. Gulf of St. Lawrence
6. Mississippi River
7. Ob
8. Yangtze
9. Baltic Sea
10. Indian Ocean