

Standards Correlation — The Water World Journey

What we cover, and where

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The Water World Journey ranks the planet’s waters. **Three of the seven planned books are published and correlated here: 7 Longest Rivers, 7 Deepest Lakes, The Seven Seas.** Page numbers were read from the printed interiors.

This is the series that reaches deepest into **Physical Systems** — how water shapes the Earth — and it is the only series that teaches river settlement (Standard 12). It complements The Continents Journey, which does not cover Physical Systems at all.

Structure

Each book follows the shared 4-page unit — profile, word search, fact crossword, certificate — with a **physical-process teaching page at page 5** (“How Do We Measure a River’s Length?”, “How Does a Lake Get So Deep?”, “Why Divide One Ocean Into Seven Seas?”). Profiles carry a locator map and rank.

Note the page offset: *Rivers* has an extra glossary page (“Words Every River Explorer Needs”), so its seven profiles fall on pages **7, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 31**. *Lakes* and *Seas* have no glossary page, so their profiles fall on **6, 10, 14, 18, 22, 26, 30**.

Correlation

Std	What teaches it	Pages
1	Page-5 ranking/overview map + per-profile locator map	5; Rivers 7,11,15,19,23,27,31; Lakes/Seas 6,10,14,18,22,26,30
2	Each river/lake/sea shown in place	5; and profiles as above
3	The page-5 measurement lesson: how a river’s length or a lake’s depth is measured and ranked — spatial analysis by a measured value	5
4	Physical + human characteristics: length/depth, location, source, mouth, bordering countries	Rivers 7,11,...; Lakes/Seas 6,10,...
5	Page 5 defines the set: what counts as one of the seven seas; why these rivers/lakes	5
7	Physical processes shaping Earth’s surface: a river’s source, mouth and basin — how water systems form and drain the land	Rivers 7,11,15,19,23,27,31 (Source, Mouth, River Basin); Lakes 5 + profiles (how deep lakes form)
8	Ecosystems: the wildlife of each river and sea	Rivers 7,11,15,19,23,27,31 (Wildlife); Seas 6,10,14,18,22,26,30
12	Human settlement: the major cities that grow along the great rivers	Rivers 7,11,15,19,23,27,31 (Major Cities)

13 Rivers and seas that cross or border several nations — Rivers 7,11,15,19,23,27,31 (Countries)
shared control of Earth's surface

Series total (3 published books): 9 standards — 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 12, 13. Four of the six essential elements, including **Physical Systems (7, 8)** and **human settlement (12)** — both absent from The Continents Journey.

What we do not claim

6 (culture shaping perception) — not addressed. **9** (population distribution/migration) — touched only where a profile gives a city population; not taught as a standard. **10** (cultural mosaics) — incidental, not taught. **11** (economic interdependence) — not addressed. **14** (human actions modifying the environment) — not addressed in the published books. **15** (physical systems affecting human systems) — the *Teacher & Homeschool Editions* address this through discussion questions; the books state facts without the causal link. **16** (resources) — water is named as important but resource use is not taught. **17, 18** (uses of geography) — not addressed.

Word search, crossword and the Rivers glossary page support Common Core ELA vocabulary; they teach no geography content standard and are not counted.

Notes

Four Water World titles (Waterfalls, Coral Reefs, Ocean Trenches, Glaciers) are not yet printed and are **not** correlated here. When their interiors exist they must be correlated against their own PDFs; do not assume they match these three.

Grade bands: grade-4 and grade-8 performance bands, for ages 8–12. The NCGE summary page mis-prints Standards 7 and 16; wording follows *Geography for Life*, confirmed against National Geographic Society and Sally Ride EarthKAM.

Sources: <https://ncge.org/teacher-resources/national-geography-standards/> · page numbers and content read directly from the interior PDFs in KDP Print Files/Water World Journey/, 15 Jul 2026.