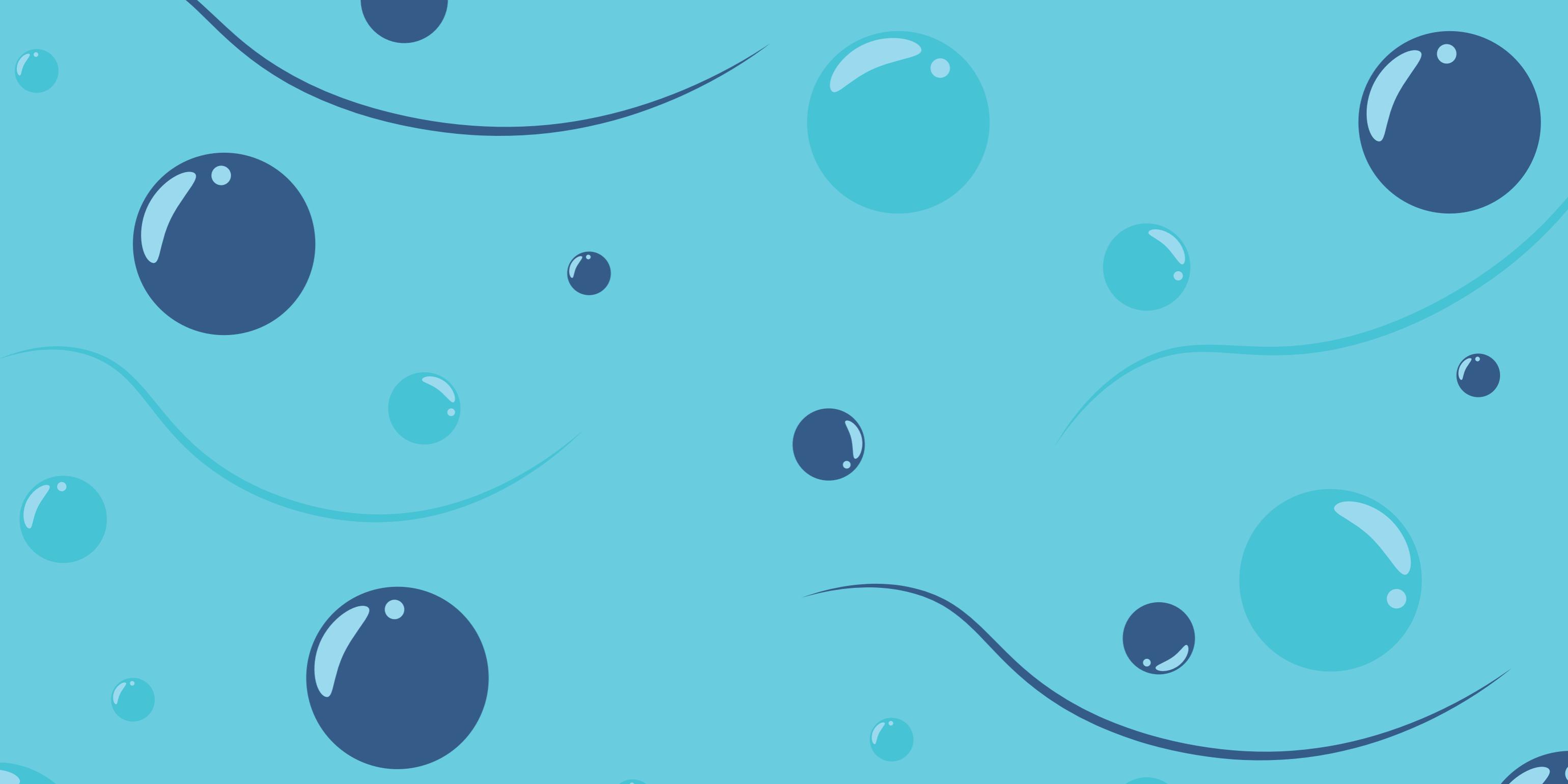


Jac's
River
Adventure





For the kids.



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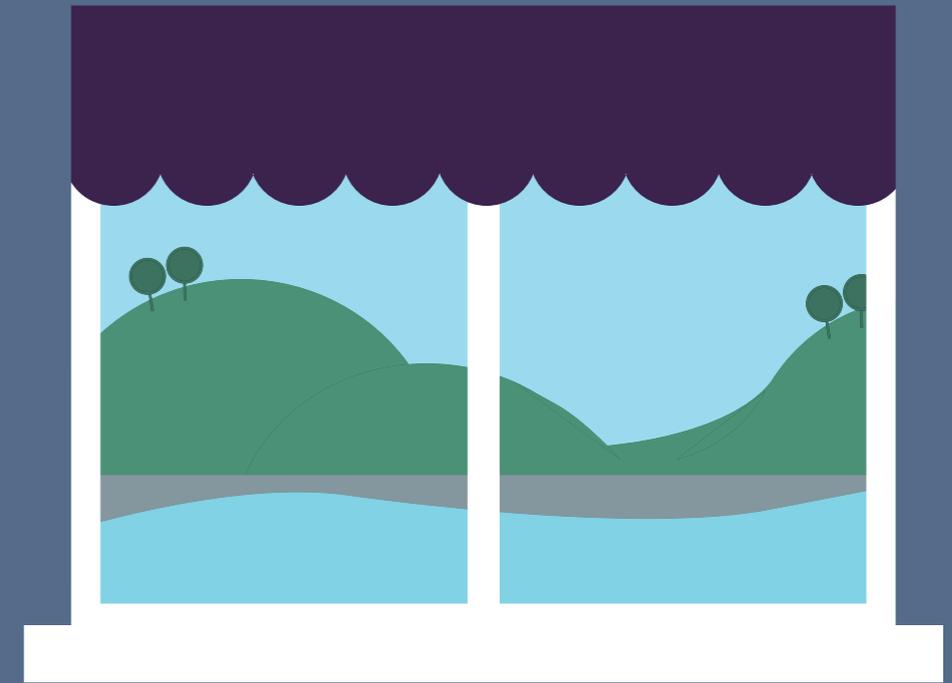
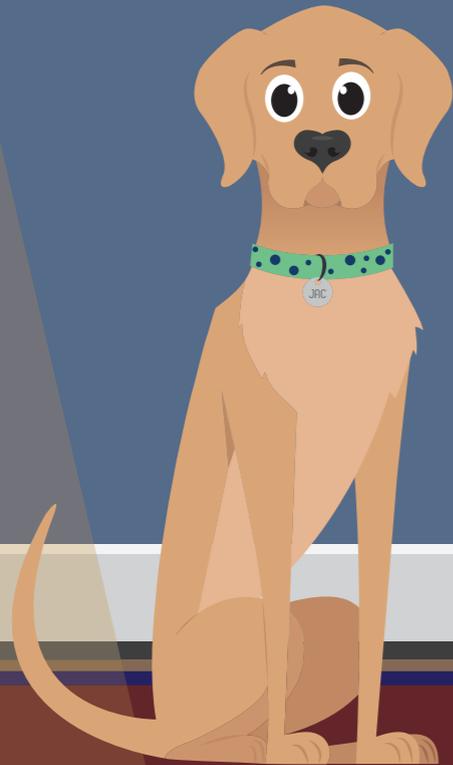
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Meet Jac!

She's ready for an adventure, what could it be?

Let's find out by following Jac's favourite track starting from near her home in Swansea.





Jac sets off from Swansea to Craig Y Nos
where the river flows below the castle.



Shaking her fur dry as the wind blows
she heads up hills, making grasses rustle.



Jac splashes in River Tawe's headwaters
that rise in Brecon Beacons National Park.

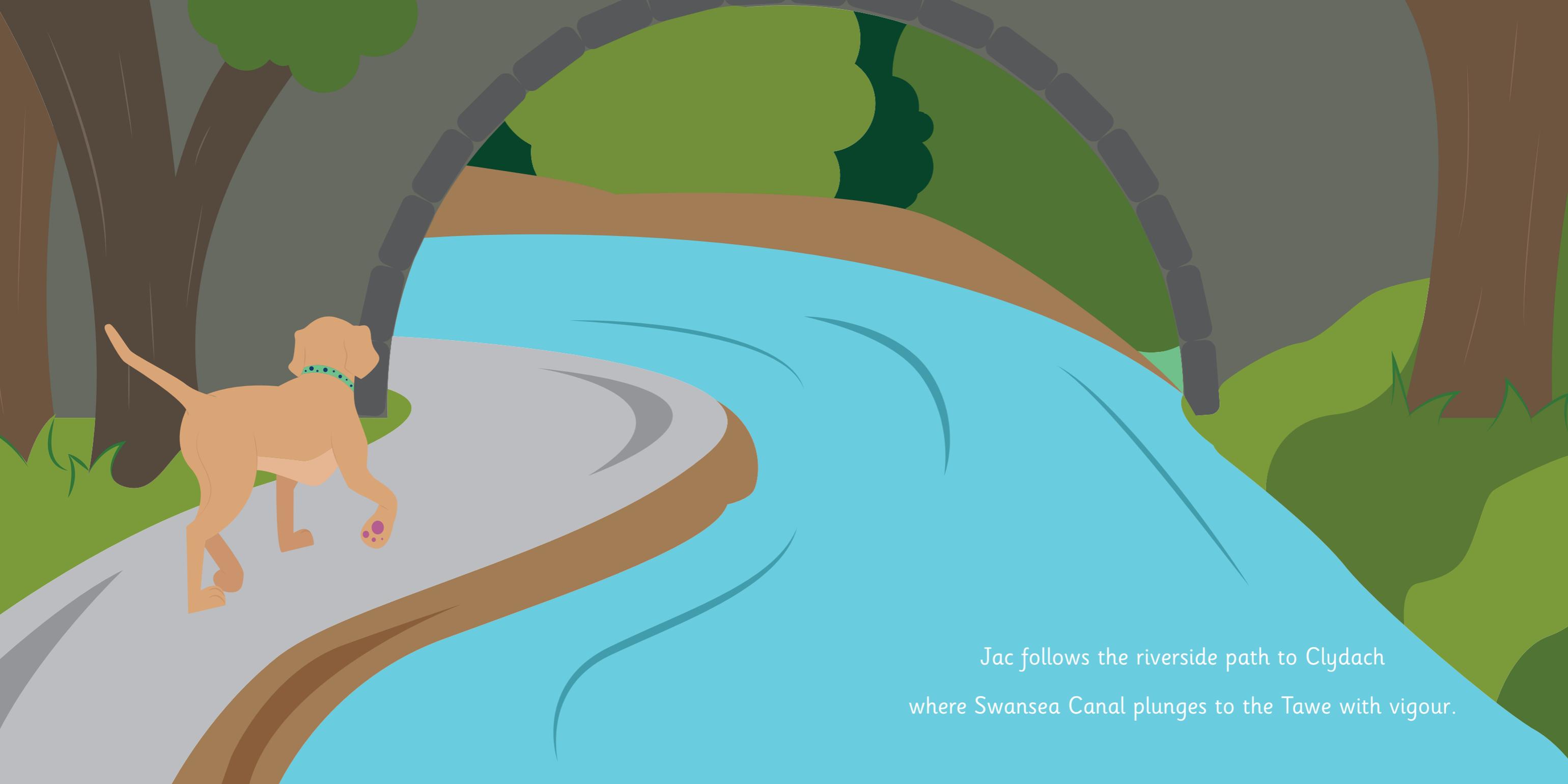
A stylized illustration of a dog looking over a river towards rolling green hills. The dog is orange with a green collar, sitting on a rocky bank. The river is light blue, and the hills are various shades of green. The scene is framed by large, rounded shapes representing trees or bushes in shades of green and brown.

At the source she looks down past boulders
to rolling green hills, cleared and stark.



Jac paddles through runs and riffles
that converge with waters at Abercrave.

She looks to Cribarth, with its caves and holes
a Sleeping Giant. Did it move? Jac's brave!



Jac follows the riverside path to Clydach
where Swansea Canal plunges to the Tawe with vigour.

Around a few bends, Jac is nearly back
when she spots a Minnow school and Dipper.





Leaving her new friends behind, Jac moves on downstream, nearly home, she smells the sea. She jumps in, a final swim, the river is gone to salty waters, and Jac's back home, in Swansea.



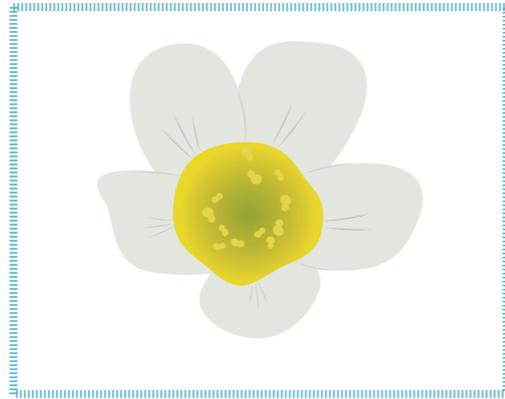
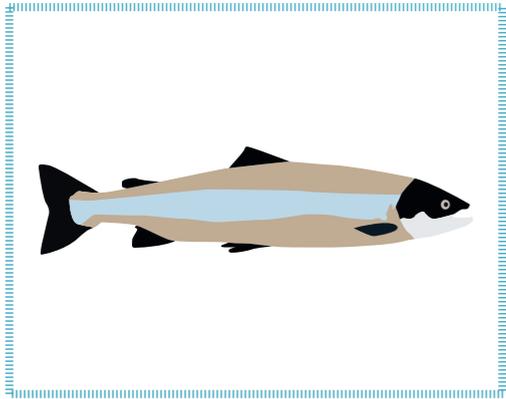
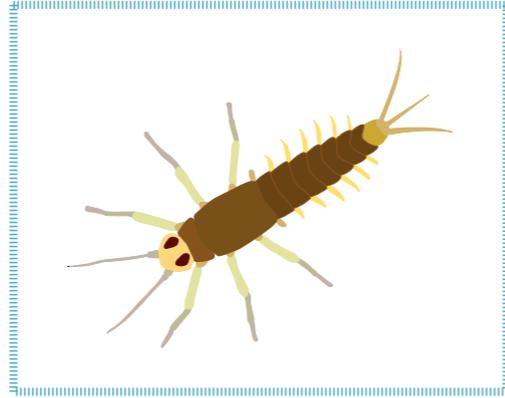
**We hope you enjoyed
Jac's River Adventure!**

Learn more!

Turn the page for
activities to explore!

Names & shapes of my river world

Who am I? Look carefully at the bird, bug, fish, and plant.
Make up a fun name* for each.



Now, draw a wondrous river creature from your imagination.
You can include features of any bird, bug, fish or plant.



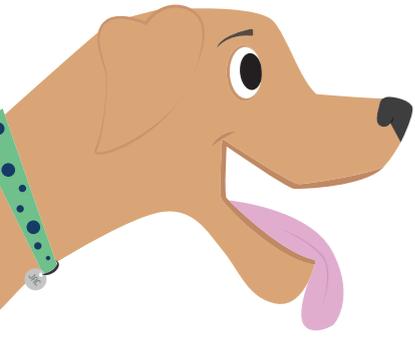
What is your creature's super power?

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Give a name to your wondrous river creature:

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* Species common names = Top left: Goosander; Topright: Mayfly larva; Bottom left: Atlantic Salmon; Bottom right: Water-crowfoot.



Be like Jac!

Lead your own river adventure!

Lead an adventure along a river and draw “My Local River”.

1. Visit a local river and lead others on an adventure alongside it.
2. Use your senses. Take note of what you see, hear, feel or smell.
3. Think about what you saw, heard, smelt or felt on your visit.
4. Draw a map of your adventure and note where different things happened.
5. Add the name of the river and a title to your map!
6. Take a photo of your map and email it to team@firelabkids.uk.

Stop by firelabkids.uk to see the Local River Map Collection!

Draw your map below:

A large, empty rectangular box with a dashed blue border, intended for drawing a map. The box is positioned on the right side of the page, below the text 'Draw your map below:'. It is currently blank, providing space for a child to draw their 'My Local River' map.



Jac is a descendant of Swansea Jack, a brave dog said to have saved 27 people from drowning in the River Tawe in the 1930s.



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Jac is going on an adventure!

Join Jac as she swims and runs from her home to the River Tawe's source and back to the sea.

Learn more and explore your local rivers with the activities inside!

