


COLORADO RIVER ALLIANCE


Redbud Field Trip Activity Guide Part 1

Presented by Colorado River Alliance

{ Hello from CRA! }



 [Colorado River Alliance](#) is a small nonprofit dedicated to educating kids like YOU about our most precious resource—the Texas Colorado River!

 Did you know that in Austin, 100% of your water comes from the Texas Colorado River? That's right. Every time you turn on the faucet, take a shower, or flush the toilet, that water was originally pumped from the Texas Colorado River.



[Watch this video](#) to learn more about the Colorado River, how we manage it, & how important its water is to communities like Austin.



[Use this vocab list](#) as you go along and check off new words you learn!



Texas Colorado River



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Let's review what we learned in the video! Fill in the blanks with answers from the word bank below.

1. The _____ River is the longest river in Texas.
2. Sometimes heavy rains cause _____, or we experience _____, a period with very little rainfall.
3. Texans needed the river to be more reliable, so in the 1930s LCRA began building _____.
4. _____ on the dams allow us to control lake water levels.
5. _____ is produced by the dam when water flows through it.
6. By building dams along the river, LCRA created man-made _____.

Word Bank

lakes Floodgates flooding dams Colorado drought Hydroelectricity

