



Where water COMES FROM

Picture perfect!



Plynlimon mountains

Ever looked at your water and thought how on earth it got there? Well, we're here to tell you exactly where! We actually get water from lots of different places and sources. 68 sources in fact. But that's a story for another day...

From the mountains!

Your water starts its journey in none other than Wales! It comes from the slippery slopes of the Cambrian mountains in the Plynlimon mountain range. Did you struggle to say that big word in your head? We did too!

Down the windy rivers

So it rains a lot on the mountains and the water travels down to the River Severn, which is actually Britain's largest river! Here, the water goes from Wales, to Worcestershire, and to Gloucestershire. The River Severn supplies about half of Bristol Water's drinking water.

Sharpness Canal

No, it's not a sharp canal but it was once THE deepest canal in the world! It is supplied by not only the River Severn, but also River Frome and Cam.

1. If the source is the point at which the river starts, what is this for the River Severn?
2. The Cambrian mountain range has a lot of rainfall all year around. What is another term for rainfall that begins with a P?



235 million

litres of water taken daily from the Sharpness canal for tap water!