

Ex. 1. What do you know about the River Thames? Watch the video.



Before reading let's learn the new words.

добраться до моря

обеспечивать дорогу

отправлять запасы еды

морские нападения

питьевая вода

мучимые жаждой коровы

вдоль берегов

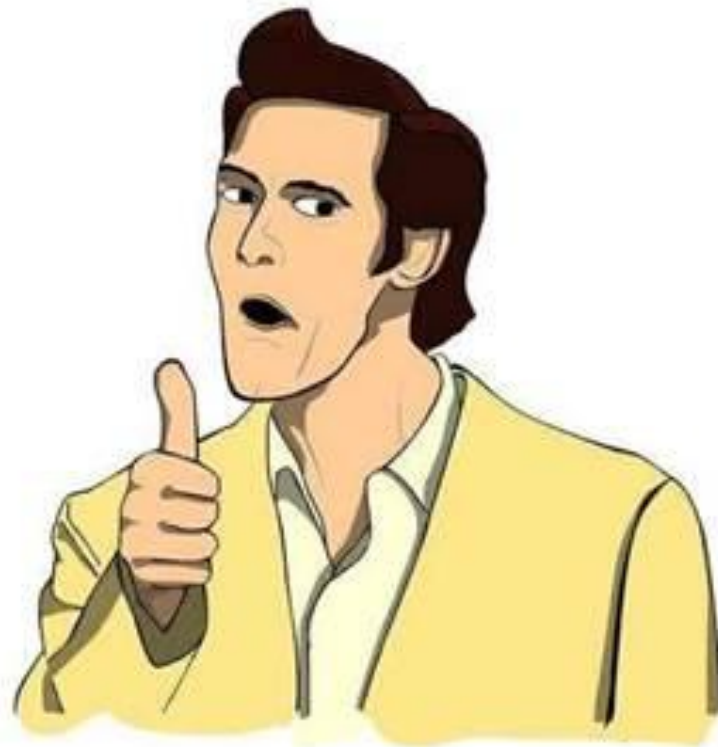
Промышленная Революция

экспортировать товары

стать символом ч-л

прогуливаться

приятные сюрпризы



# Match.

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to send

sea

drinking

thirsty

along

Industrial

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a stroll

goods

a symbol of sth

the banks

Revolution

supplies of food

the sea

water

surprises

attacks

a highway



drinking water



sea attacks



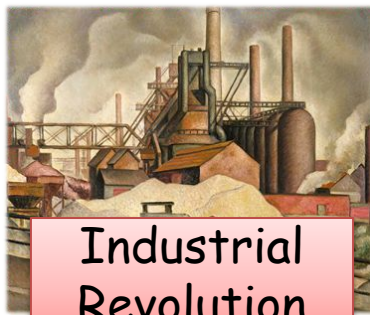
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Read the text. Make derivatives of the words in brackets. Then listen to check.



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England had very few roads in the past, so the Thames **provided** a major highway between London and many parts of the country. People could also send **supplies** of food and other goods to and from London by boat. In times of war, London was protected from sea attacks because they built castles and forts at the mouth of the river. People from the London area got their **drinking** water from the Thames, and **thirsty** cows and sheep were a common sight along its **banks**.

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Today, the Thames has become a **symbol** of London, just as much as Big Ben or Buckingham Palace. If you take a **stroll** along its banks, you'll have a day full of **pleasant** surprises. You can admire bridges built in many **different** architectural styles. The most **famous** one is probably Tower Bridge which opens up 1,000 times a year to let ships through. Or you might be lucky enough to see London's rowing event, the Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race, which takes place on the river every spring. Whether you're a Londoner or a visitor, the Thames will always have something to offer you.

Ex. 3. Find the main idea in each paragraph. Think of appropriate headings for each paragraph. Compare with your partner.



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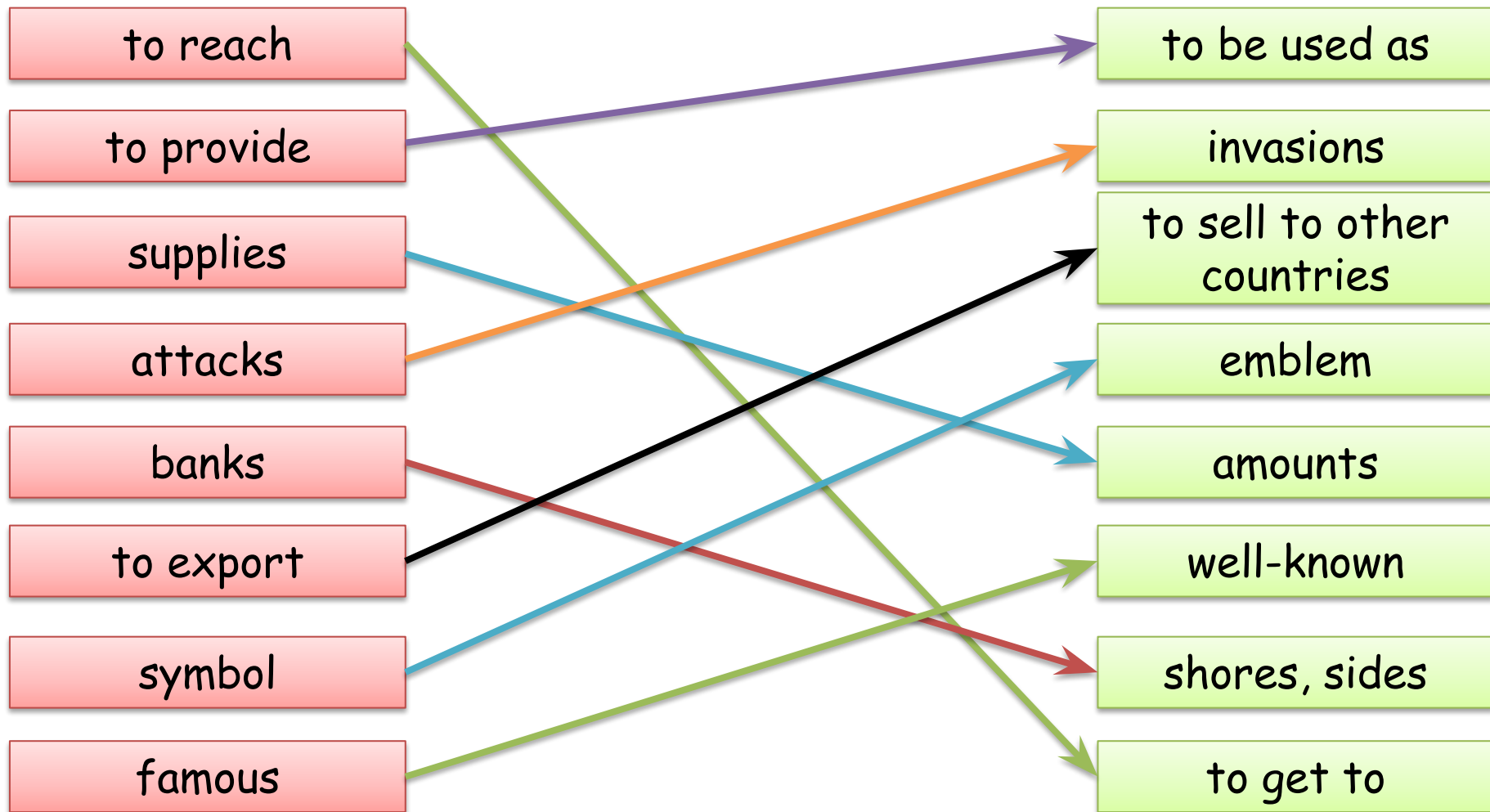
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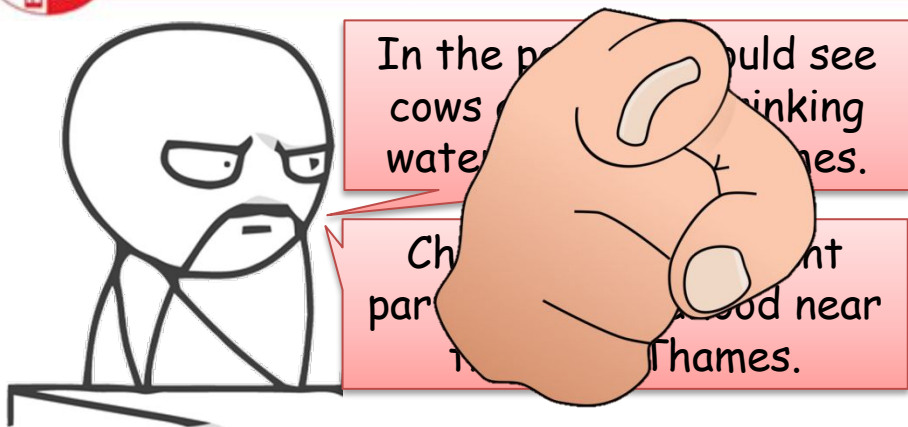
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## Ex. 4. Tell your partner two things you found interesting about the River Thames.



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The river Kama is an important river in Russia. Situated in west-central Russia, it is one of the longest tributaries of the Volga and 1, 805 kilometres long. It starts its journey in Udmurtia, near the town of Kuligi and flows north, then east, south and south-west until it reaches the Volga river. There are many cities situated on the banks of the Kama, such as Solikamsk, Berezniki and Perm.

The Kama is a valuable waterway to the Urals and Siberia and is, therefore, often used as a trade route. Its waters support a wide variety of industries and its floodplains are rich in salt and potassium. There are hydroelectric stations at Perm and petroleum is extracted in the Sylva and Iren valleys.

Although the Kama is mostly associated with industry, it remains a beautiful river nonetheless. During the winter months when the river is frozen, you can find people ice-skating and during the warmer months of the year many enjoy strolling along its banks.

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