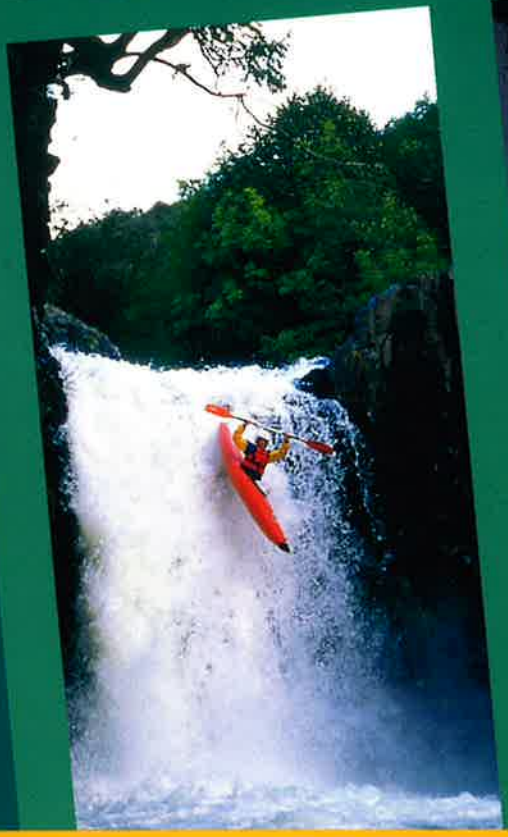






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Waterfalls, Glaciers and Avalanches

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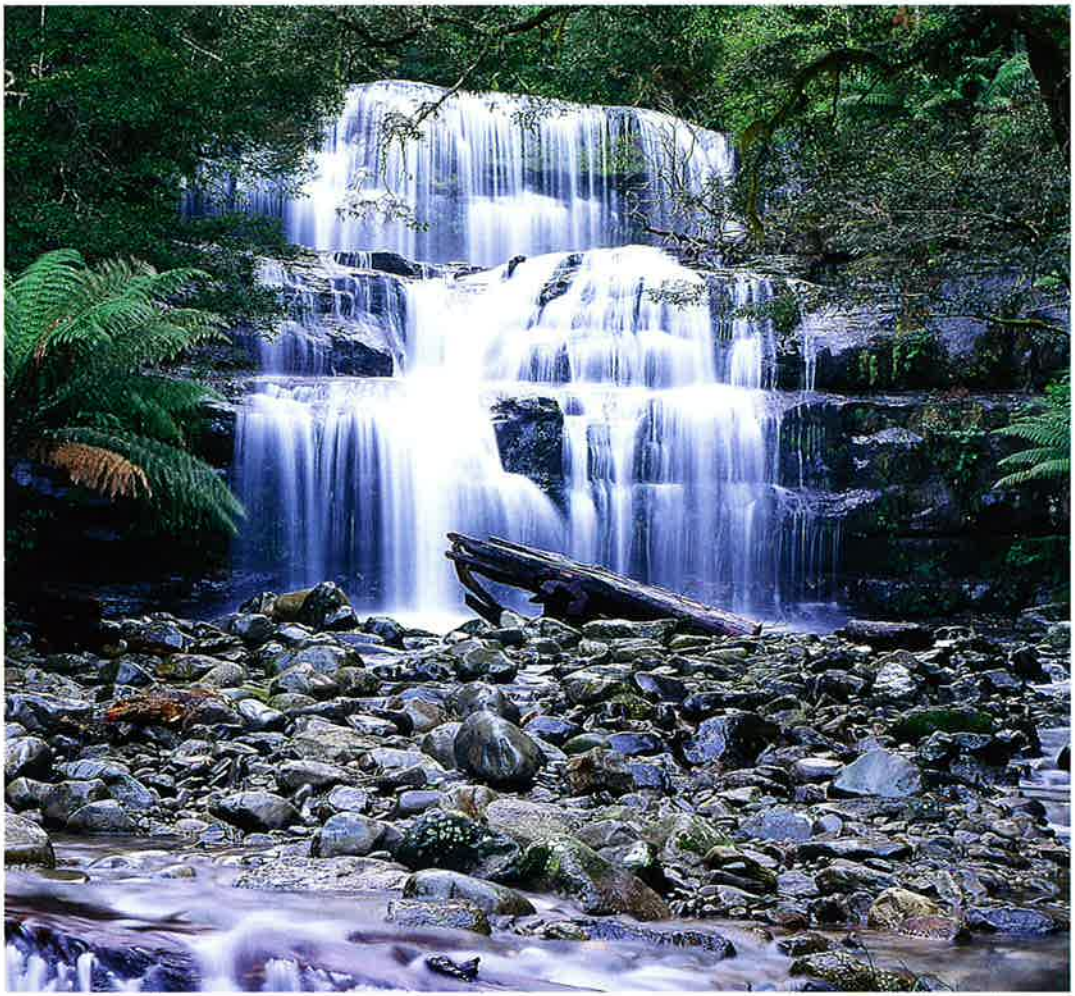
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Introduction

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Water, snow and ice cover a lot of the Earth.

When water flows down a river, it sometimes makes a waterfall.



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When ice flows down a valley,
it can make a glacier, or river of ice.

When thick snow builds up
on a steep mountain,
sometimes the snow suddenly slides away.
This is called an avalanche.

These are ways that water, snow and ice move over the surface of the Earth.



Waterfalls

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Sometimes a waterfall happens where a river flows over a cliff. A waterfall can also happen when a river flows over a lot of rocks or a large area of rock.

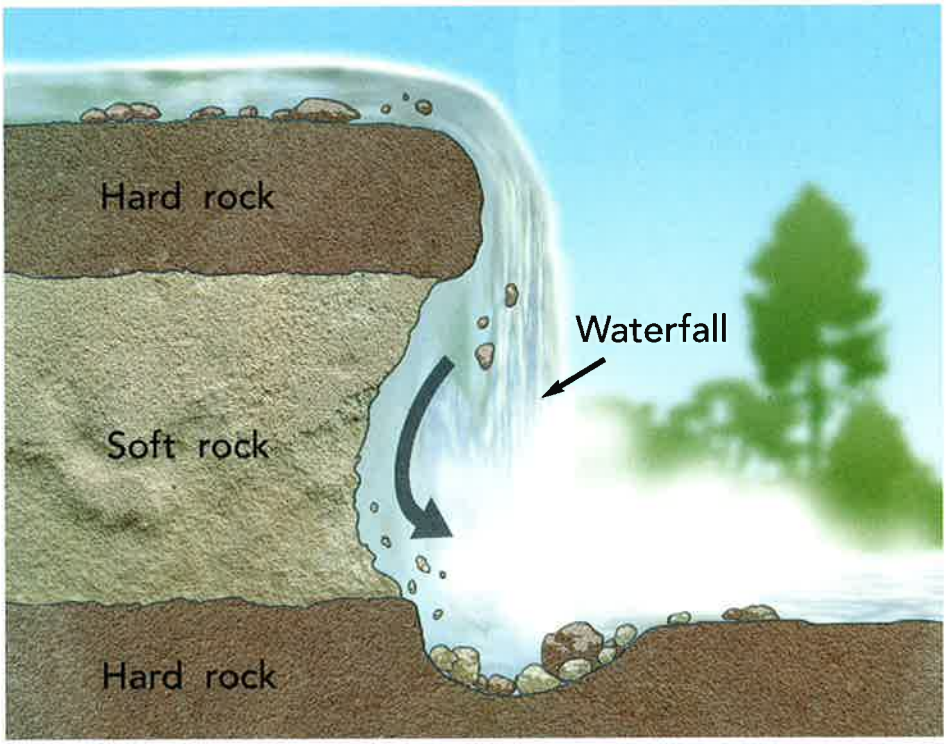




There are waterfalls on many rivers. Some of these waterfalls are very beautiful.

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Most waterfalls are formed where a river flows over hard rock. The soft rock underneath breaks away and leaves a ledge of hard rock.



DID YOU KNOW?

Huge waterfalls make a lot of noise because they carry a large amount of moving water.

Some waterfalls are very narrow and high. Others are wide, but not very high.

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DID YOU KNOW?

When small waterfalls flow down in steps, they are called cascades.