Success Criteria	Self-
	assess
I can find the numbers I need in the table.	
I can multiply them correctly.	
I can say what my answer means in the real-world situation.	

River Health



Olivia is a scientist who studies rivers. She is investigating how healthy two rivers are by looking at the invertebrates living in them.

Each invertebrate is given a score based on how well it can survive pollution

- Animals that live only in clean water = high score
- Animals that can live in dirty, polluted water = low score

Now, let's use the table to work out how healthy the river is:

- 1) **Multiply**: Take each animal's pollution score and multiply it by how many were found.
- 2) Write it down: Fill in the last column with your answers.
- 3) Add it up: Add up all the numbers in the number found column and in the last column.
- 4) **Match your answer** to the water quality scale below to see how healthy or unhealthy the river is.

Water Quality scale:

River Health	0-1.9	2-3.9	4-5.9	6-7.9	8-10
Water Quality	Very Poor	Poor	Moderate	Good	Very Good

River Nith

Invertebrate	Pollution score	Number found in River	Total
Freshwater Shrimp	4	260	4 x 260= 1040
Snail	3	214	
Worm	1	462	
Pond skaters	5	201	
Water boatman	5	64	
Leech	3	289	
Water louse	3	202	
	Total		

Now, let's work out the river's health score

1)	Add up all the "Number Found" to get the total animals =		
2)	Add up all the " Total Scores" from the last column =		

3) Divide the total score by the total number of animals for **River Health Score** =

"Now check the Water	\setminus
Quality scale! Match you	r
score to see how clean or	r
dirty the water is!"	/
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4.	What is the river	١N	lith's Water
Quali	ity score? =		

Compare with the River Dee

Repeat the same steps for the River Dee table

River Dee

Invertebrate	Pollution score	Number found in river	Total
Beetle	SCOLE	IIIIVei	
	5.2	148	
Freshwater			
shrimp	4.5	150	
Water boatman	5.6	162	
	5.6	162	
Limpet			
	8.2	65	
Mayfly			
larvae	8.5	48	
Freshwater			
Crayfish	9.8	34	
	Total		

1.	What is the river health score?	(Remember: divide the	total score by
	the total number of animals) =		
2.	What is the water quality value?	? (use the scale above) :	=

Upper Urr River

Invertebrate	Pollution score	Number found in river	Total
Freshwater			
shrimp	6.5	15	
Beetle	4.5	36	
Water boatman	5.6	28	
Dragonfly larvae	9.1	362	
Limpet	7.6	286	
Cased caddisfly			
larvae	5.8	101	
Mayfly larvae	9.7	222	
Stonefly larvae	10.2	434	
	Total		

1.	What is the river health score?	(Remember: divide the	total score by
	the total number of animals) =		

2. What is the water quality value? (use the scale above) =



3. The healthiest river =