



Lesson 7 – Why ‘River Horse’?



Today's Word:

HIPPOPOTAMUS

Tool Carried Forward:

HABITAT



New Handle:

ROOT WORDS



1. See It • Say It • Clap It

HIPPOPOTAMUS

HIP

PO

POT

A

MUS

How many syllables?

Say the word. Clap the beats.
Read it again.

3 Use HABITAT as a Tool

What does a hippopotamus's habitat look like?

What does a horse's habitat look like?

4 Compare the Evidence

What is different? What is shared?

HORSE	SAME	HIPPO

5 What makes the name 'river horse' make sense?



Today's Big Idea:

Root words can help us investigate meaning and history.

