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Questions for Hudson River Ecosystem Reading

Read the article "Hudson River Geography" and answer the following questions:

1. Where does the Hudson get its name?
2. Where does the Hudson River start and end?
3. What is a watershed? Which land areas does the watershed of the Hudson River drain?
4. Briefly describe how the upper (Northern) part of the Hudson is different from the lower parts of the river.
5. Give an example of how dams can impact the health of the river.
6. What is an estuary? Give an example of another estuary you know.
7. What takes place twice a day throughout the estuary? How might this affect the organisms that live in the estuarine part of the river?
8. What are the main types of river bottom in the Hudson?
9. Give two examples of current human impacts on the river.