Rivers/streams/weathering vocabulary

1. Meander-loop on a mature river
2. Oxbow lake-curved lake formed when a bend in a river is cut off at both ends
3. Kettle lake-lake formed by a retreating glacier
4. Weathering-breaking down of rocks and other materials on Earth’s surface
5. Chemical weathering-weathering that changes the chemical makeup of rocks
6. Mechanical weathering-weathering in which the chemical makeup of rocks does not change
7. Ice wedging-mechanical weathering caused by the freezing and thawing of rocks
8. Oxidation- chemical change that occurs when oxygen reacts with another substance
9. Hydrolysis- chemical reaction that occurs when minerals with little water content react with water
10. Carbonation- chemical reaction that occurs when carbonic acid reacts with certain minerals