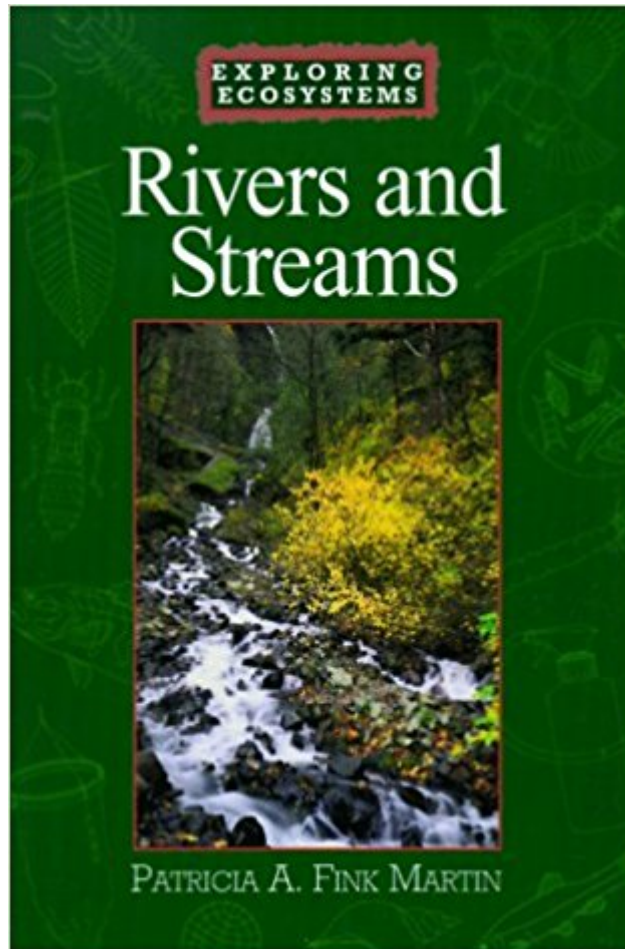




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Very well laid out book that is broken down into "investigations", "projects" and "doing more" sections. Includes a glossary, an index and resources for further information. This book will be

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