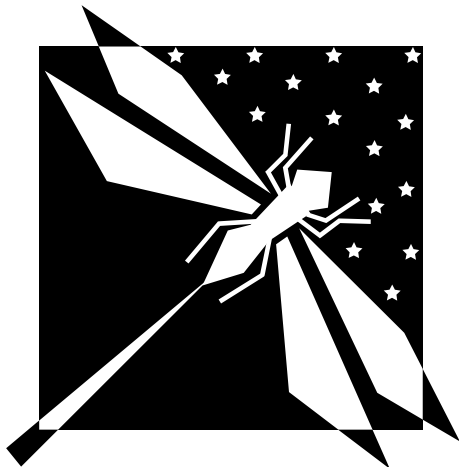


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The cover features a teal background with a white rectangular area containing a blue illustration of three fish swimming in water. The fish are drawn in a simple, cartoonish style. Above the illustration is a black treble clef and musical notes. To the right of the treble clef is a red downward-pointing triangle with three dots above it. The title 'Momma Bass and the Mudsliders Songbook' is written in large, bold, blue letters. At the bottom left is the Georgia Project WET logo, which includes a dragonfly and the text 'Georgia Project WET Water Education for Teachers'. To the right of the logo is the text 'Presented through Georgia Project WET With Original Songs by Petey Giroux And others'. The entire cover is framed by a green border with red squares at the corners.

Momma Bass and the Mudsliders Songbook



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YOU OTTER BE IN THE RIVER TODAY!

You Otter Be in the River today!
Having fun, Splish-Splashing away!
Sliding down the streambank
Slippity, Slide-----
Get on your belly, do a GIANT Slide!

The River is my home, it's my habitat!
It's a watery world now that's a fact.
I like my water clean and my corridor green!
If you were an Otter you'd know what I mean!

When you get your water from the kitchen sink
I know you like it clean cause it's the water that you
drink.

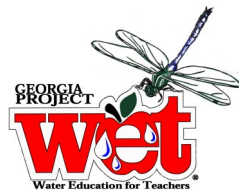
So protect our rivers, streams and lakes
And do it now for goodness sakes!



You Otter be in the River
today!
Having fun,
Splish-Splashing away!
Sliding down the streambank
Slippity, Slide-----
Get on your belly, do a GIANT Slide!



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WATERSHEDS

**Watersheds,
Let's hear it for watersheds
Everybody lives in a watershed!**

When the rain comes down,
It's mountain ridge bound.
Branching into tributaries all around.

The tributaries to the rivers they go
And the rivers to the ocean,
Make the mighty flow.



**Watersheds,
Let's hear it for watersheds.
Everybody lives in a watershed!**

In Georgia
There are 52 watersheds.
52, oh so cool watersheds.

There are 14 River Basins.
Do you know them all?
Some are very big, and some are very small.

There's the Tennessee, Ochlockonee, the Altamaha
And the St. Mary's, Satilla and the Talapoosa.
There's the Flint, the Oconee and the Ocmulgee.
The Coosa, Chattahoochee and the Ogeechee.
Let's not forget the Suwanee, the Savannah too
Protect our River Basins in all that you do!

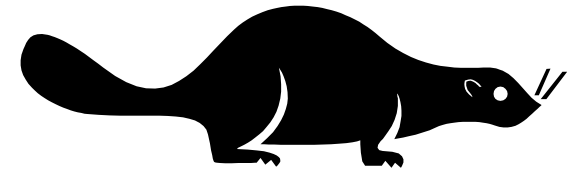
**Watersheds –
Let's hear it for watersheds
Everybody lives in a watershed!**

THE BEAVER SONG

I am Beaver
You are Beaver
We are Beaver ALL

And when we get together
We make the Beaver CALL

NEEE NEEEEE NEEEEE NEEEEE.
NEEE NEEEEE NEEEEE NEEEEE NEEEEE
NEEEEEE NEEEEE NEEEEE



BIOASSESSMENT SONG

CHORUS

We're doin' a bioassessment of our stream.
Is the Water Healthy and Clean?
We're counting macroinvertebrates
Different kinds are really great
Diversity is what we mean.

We found a Stonefly doing Push Ups - Push Up Push Up!
A Dragonfly went by with a jaw that really Juts!
There was a Mayfly on the Spin
Taking oxygen in.
Get your bucket and let's begin.

Caddisfly is doing the "C" HOP, HOP, HOP
Movin' in the stream and doesn't stop.
Caddisfly's case is a home
Built of sticks and leaves or stone.
Caddisfly is doing the "C" HOP, HOP, HOP

Scurry little Riffle Beetle Scurry fast
Down there walking on the stones it seems you're having a
blast.
We nearly missed the Water Penny
Hidden so well
Camouflaged and Flat, you're simply swell!

There goes the roly, polly crane fly with its head tucked in.
I wonder how you know exactly where you have been?
Perhaps you're very shy and
Just can't look me in the eye.

WATER

We know our water rights
Without WATER
We get very uptight
WATER
A home for some of us
Keep it clean or we will fuss!

WATER
Why don't you keep it clean?
WATER
You can adopt a stream
WATER
Pollution we've seen
Clean water's nifty peachy keen

WATER
It's for you and for me
WITHOUT WATER
We just wouldn't be
WATER
It's a beautiful thing
Water makes us dance and sing.

CONSERVE WATER
Don't let the water run
WATER
Feels so good in the sun
WATER
In the land, sea and air.
Water's simply everywhere

WATER
Most space on Earth
Is WATER
Planet of our birth.
WATER
Is life for all
Rivers, streams and waterfalls.



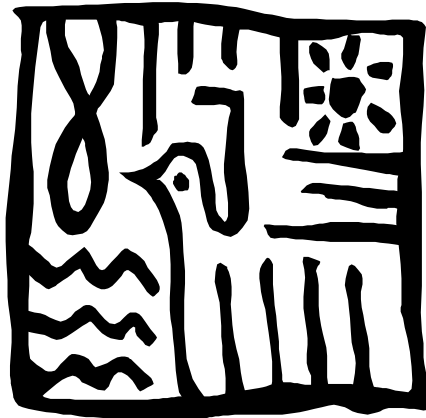
TRIBUTE TO OUR TRIBUTARIES

(TRIB SONG)

What makes a river?
Do you know?
What makes the river flow?
From the Mountain to the Sea,
It's the TRIBUTARIES.
That makes the river flow.

The "TRIBS" are very Cool you see.
They have branches like a tree.
In a Watershed, they fill up the stream beds
And a stream becomes a river becomes a sea.

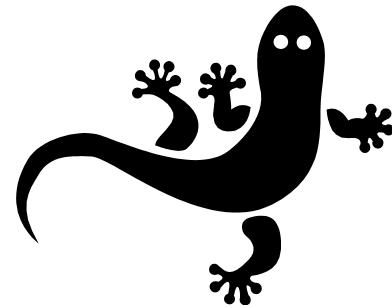
You live in a watershed
In the _____ watershed
When you take a drink
the water from your sink
Came from a trib from the water's head.



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Squiggling, wiggling Midge, Squiggle Squiggle away
Bending in and out and out and in on their way
It looks like fun to squiggle
And we really like to wiggle
It's a squiggling, wiggling marvelous day!

We're doing a bioassessment of our stream
It seems the water is healthy and clean
We're counting macroinvertebrates
We have different kinds and that is great.
There is diversity in our stream.



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BRING US OUR FAVORITE DREAM

To the tune of "Mr. Sandman"

Hey (YOUR TOWN)
Bring us a dream
Make it the cleanest stream that we've ever seen
Our Gills are stuck—
We can't find our food
It puts us in a really rotten mood!

(YOUR TOWN)
If you care about fish
Bring us this one simple wish
Clean up your rivers,
Adopt a stream
You'll be bringing us our favorite dream

(YOUR TOWN)
We know you can
Buffer your streambanks
And wise-use your land
Back off the chemicals, sewage and litter
Otherwise these fish get bitter!

(YOUR TOWN)
We've got to go
A fish out of water
Is not smart you know
But we are worried about our water home
So we are advocate fish on the roam.

(YOUR TOWN)
We've got to go
We hope that you liked the show
Clean up your rivers
Adopt a stream
You'll be bringing us our favorite dream!

RUN RIVER RUN

(Tallapoosa version)

(Refrain)

Run River Run River Run
Run River Run River Run
GO MIGHTY RIVER
Run River Run River Run

Run Clean, Run Pure, Run Strong
Laughing all day long
Catch a Rafter with your rock face
Til' the day sets sun.

(Refrain) Run River Run River Run.....

Tumble muskrat round
Sing your river-song sound
Beckon Whitetail to your bankside
Hear the beaver tail pound!

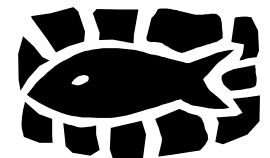
(Refrain) Run River Run River Run.....

Coosa Tallapoosa
Tennessee River too
Heron casts a shadow
On your wildest view.

(Refrain) Run River Run River Run.....

I feel your mighty power
As by your side I stand
I'll dress your wounds and clean your bed
I'll lend a helping hand.

Run River Run River Run
Run River Run River Run
GO MIGHTY RIVER
Run River Run River Run.



RUN RIVER RUN

(Chattahoochee version)

(Refrain)

Run River Run River Run
Run River Run River Run
GO MIGHTY RIVER
Run River Run River Run

Run Clean, Run Pure, Run Strong
Laughing all day long
Catch a Rafter with your rock face
Til' the day sets sun.

(Refrain) Run River Run River Run.....

Tumble muskrat round
Sing your river-song sound
Beckon Whitetail to your bankside
Hear the beaver tail pound!

(Refrain) Run River Run River Run.....

Hoochee – Chattahoochee
Painted Rock are you
Herons place a shadow
On your wildest view.

(Refrain) Run River Run River Run.....

I feel your mighty power
As by your side I stand
I'll dress your wounds and clean your bed
I'll lend a helping hand.

Run River Run River Run
Run River Run River Run
GO MIGHTY RIVER
Run River Run River Run.

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DRAGONFLY

To the tune of: "Lemon Tree"

Dragonfly very pretty -

And the Dragonfly is fast!

Flying forward and backward;

Now hovering at last!

Dragonfly, can you see me?
With your lenses shiny bright.

Dragonfly *over water*,

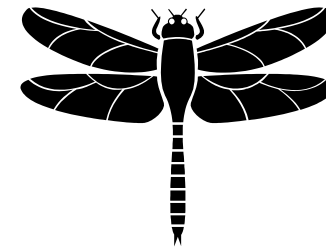
You're an acrobat in flight.

Dragonfly in your nymph stage

Tell me is the water clean?

Dragonfly likes clean water

Swirling round in the stream



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GONNA HELP KEEP THE WATER CLEAN

(Tune: "Down by the Riverside")

Gonna help keep the water clean
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
Gonna help keep the water clean
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
WE ARE THE (school name) KIDS!

No pollution in our lakes,
No pollution in our streams,
NO POLLUTIONS IS OUR DREAM!
No pollution in our lakes,
No pollution in our streams,
NO POLLUTION IS OUR DREAM!

Gonna help keep the water clean
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
In Georgia's lakes and streams,
Gonna help keep the water clean
In Georgia's lakes and streams.
WE ARE THE (school name) KIDS!

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RIVER OF WORDS

It's a river, it's a river of words
And it's coming your way or haven't you heard?
Get out you paint brush, your paddle, your pen.
The ***River of Words*** is rounding the bend.

More voices paddling downstream
For a healthy world, that is our dream.
Get out your paintbrush, your paddle, your pen.
The ***River of Words*** is rounding the bend.

We're learning history, science and art
About our watershed, of which we're a part.
Get out your paintbrush, your paddle, your pen.
The ***River of Words*** is rounding the bend.

This river's got something to say!
This river is coming your way.
Get out your paintbrush, your paddle, your pen.
The ***River of Words*** is rounding the bend

We are connecting, with our homeland.
We make just one demand!
Get out your paintbrush, your paddle, your pen.
Hurry now tell all your friends.



Original Songs by Petey Giroux

THE RAIN SONG

The rain goes round
The rain goes round
The rain goes round and round

JUMPS FROM THE CLOUD
DANCES ON THE MOUNTAIN
TUMBLES DOWN THE HILL

The rain goes round
The rain goes round
The rain goes round and round

RIVERS CARVE OUT THE VALLEYS
BRANCH TO THE STREAMS
RAIN ON THE WINDOWSILL



The rain goes round
The rain goes round
The rain goes round and round

WHERE DOES THE RIVER GO?
WHERE DOES THE RAIN GO?
DOES ANYBODY KNOW?

The rain goes round ...

YES THE FROG KNOWS, YES THE OCEAN KNOWS,
YES THE LAKES KNOW, YES THE PLANT KNOWS,
YES THE GROUND KNOWS, YES THE GLACIER
KNOWS, YES THE CLOUD KNOWS

The rain goes round
The rain goes round
The rain goes round and round

H2O

(To the tune of "Turkey in the Straw")

Chorus:

H2O (H2O) H2O (H2O)

The two things we all need to live don't ya know
Are clean air to breathe and clean H2O.

O the flowers and the trees the birdies and the bees
wiggly earthworms and chimpanzees
the little ladybug and the big hippo
all need clean air and H2O.

Chorus

Cows and horses and pigs and sheep
Need clean water. If you want to keep
them happy and healthy and help them grow,
Remember that water is H2O.

Chorus

Rain comes from the sky and falls to the ground.
Some soaks in and some lays around,
until it evaporates and goes back up
into a new cloud to be a new rain drop.

Chorus

Water is the rain that makes grass green.
It washes the air to help keep it clean.
And then in winter you know that snow
is nothing but cold, white H2O.

Chorus

If you think about all the food you eat
about your clothes and the shoes on your feet,
you could live for days without them you know,
but you can't live without the air and H2O.

HEAR A FROG'S VOICE

Would you like to walk in the park?
Hear a frog's voice way after dark?
And be knee-deep in the swamp?
And hear a sound like
GAR-RR-UMP, GARR-RRUMP

Well,
A frog is an animal with 4 webbed feet
The eyes are big and really neat.
Its skin is wet and its habitat is too.
A frog's your friend, so say
Howdy Do.



Sound the call for the frogs
and don't be late.
Georgia's Wetlands are
great!

HELP!

(to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Help, help, help the streams,
Lakes and rivers too!
Water clean and litter gone....
We all have lots to do!

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PRECIPITATION SONG

(To the tune of Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious
from Mary Poppins)

Precipitation
Transpiration
Accumulation

Condensation
Infiltration
Evaporation



Water Cycle words are sure to cause some
perspiration!
Say them fast, you're sure to feel a little
frustration!

waterwaterwaterwaterwaterwaterwaterwater

Faster-----

Precipitation
Transpiration
Accumulation

Condensation
Infiltration
Evaporation

Water Cycle words are sure to cause some per-
spiration!
Say them fast; you're sure to feel a little frustra-
tion!!!!!!

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THE MORE WE WORK TOGETHER!

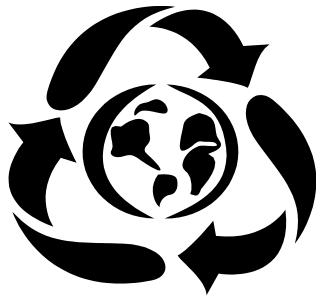
(to the tune of "The More We Get together")

The more we work together, together, together,
The more we work together, the happier we'll be.
For your stream is my stream and my stream is your stream.

The more we work together, the cleaner it will be.

The more we work together, together, together,
The more we work together, the happier we'll be.
For your river is my stream and my river is your river.
The more we work together, the cleaner it will be.

The more we work together, together, together,
The more we work together, the happier we'll be.
For your lake is my lake and my lake is your lake.
The more we work together, the cleaner it will be.



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I TALKED TO THE HERON

I talked to the heron and the heron said,
"You got to get the rhythm of the HEAD."
(move head side to side)

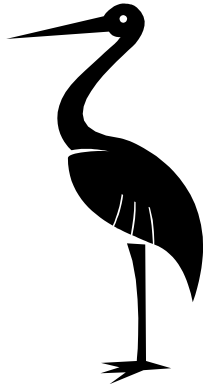
"You got to get the rhythm of the HEAD."
(move head side to side)

I talked to the heron and the heron said,
"You got to get the rhythm of the WINGS."
(beat wings - arms from side to side)
"You got to get the rhythm of the WINGS."
(beat wings - arms from side to side)

I talked to the heron and the heron said,
"You got to get the rhythm of the FEET."
(splish-splash with your feet)
"You got to get the rhythm of the FEET."
(splish-splash with your feet)

I talked to the heron and the heron said,
"You got to get the rhythm of the EDDY."
(move arms in circular motion in front of the body)
"You got to get the rhythm of the EDDY."
(move arms in circular motion in front of the body)

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HERON BACKGROUND

The Heron belongs to a group of birds called "waders" and there are many variations of herons which include egrets and bitterns. It is a big gray bird with a yellow bill. All of these birds have long thin necks, long thin legs, and a long sharp beak. It is a bird of marshland and shallow waters. The "Great Blue Heron" for example is considered the king of the marsh. It is the tallest of all the herons. The head folds back in an "s" loop in flight and the head and legs are in a straight line. The Heron is a lone hunter and when it feeds, it stands in water and wades with a stalking movement. When it sees a fish or frog it strikes with great speed using its sharp beak as a spear. It also eats small mammals, reptiles and sometimes other birds. This bird makes a hoarse squawk and usually nests in a tree or reedbed laying 3-5 green blue eggs. The nest is a stick platform. The "Green Heron" is smaller and crow sized with a dark green-gray color, black crown and bright orange or yellow legs. It makes a rasping "skyow" sound along with croaks and cackles.

MUDDY WATER BLUES

Refrain

We got the Muddy Water Blues
These fish are sick!
We got the Muddy Water Blues
This mud is thick

Water's got silt and sewage
Oil and grease
Pesticides and litter
There's no relief!

Refrain We got the Muddy Water Blues...

We live in the river
T'was a beautiful place
Now it's full of goo
And quite a disgrace.

Refrain We got the Muddy Water Blues...

You drink water from the river
So you got to care
Keep the water clean
It's a river fish dare!

Refrain We got the Muddy Water Blues
These fish are sick!
We got the Muddy Water Blues
This mud is thick