Flood on the earth.....

What is a flood?

 It is a large amount of water that covers an area which is usually dry.



Effects of a flood

- The immediate impacts of flooding include:
 - Loss of human life
 - Damage to property
 - Destruction of crops
 - Loss of livestock





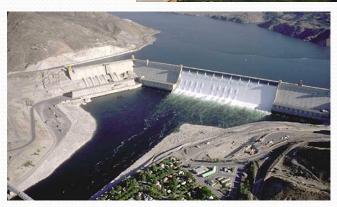


Flood control

- Levees (an embankment built to prevent the overflow of a river)
- Reservoir (a large natural or artificial lake used as a source of water supply)
- Weir (a low dam built across a river to raise the level of water upstream)







Flood types

Flash floods

Coastal floods

Urban floods

River floods





Benefits of a flood

- Although a flood is desructive it also brings many benefits such as:
 - Recharging ground water





- Making soil more fertile
- Increasing nutrients in some soils