What is a watershed?

When rain falls on the Earth, that water flows across or under the ground and begins its way to a stream or river, and then on to a larger body of water such as an ocean. The land that the water flows across on its way is called a **watershed**. In Alabama, there are 5 major watersheds all flowing towards Mobile Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. Most of the City of Mobile lies within the Dog River Watershed.

