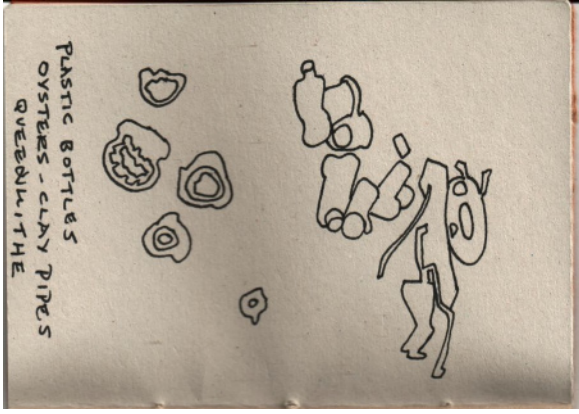
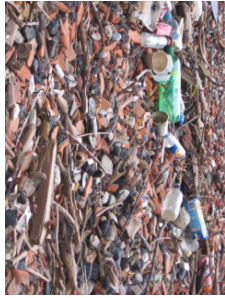




What does the river mean today?
The tension between the city and river.
The city imposing itself, encroaching on the river.
But this is not how it is presented, the city is afraid of the river, defence, the possibility of major flooding.
The city denies nature.
The gaps and stairs linking the river to the city.



Old Billingsgate to Queenhithe



Ebb and Flow

City As Material : River





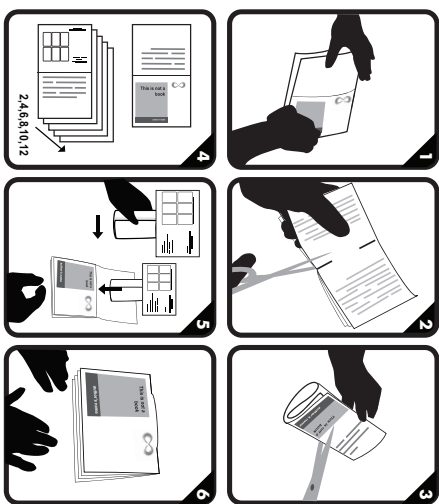
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PIRATICAL GRAN

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Artistic Mudlarking with the Piratical Gran

The mudlarks were filming;
Serendipity was at play

“How much does it cost to live on the river?”
Asked the City
“You have to give up everything you know”
Said the River

The City looked over, and cast it's shadow
The River looked up, as the tide went out

Oh Look Out!
Freshly minted, London's Layer Cake is
falling
Into the river's fluid impermanence

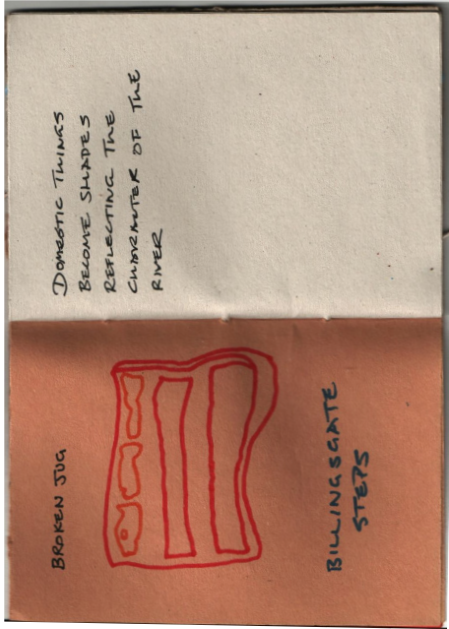
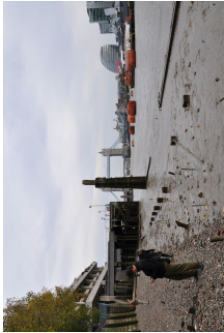


Hermitage Moorings to St Katherine Dock

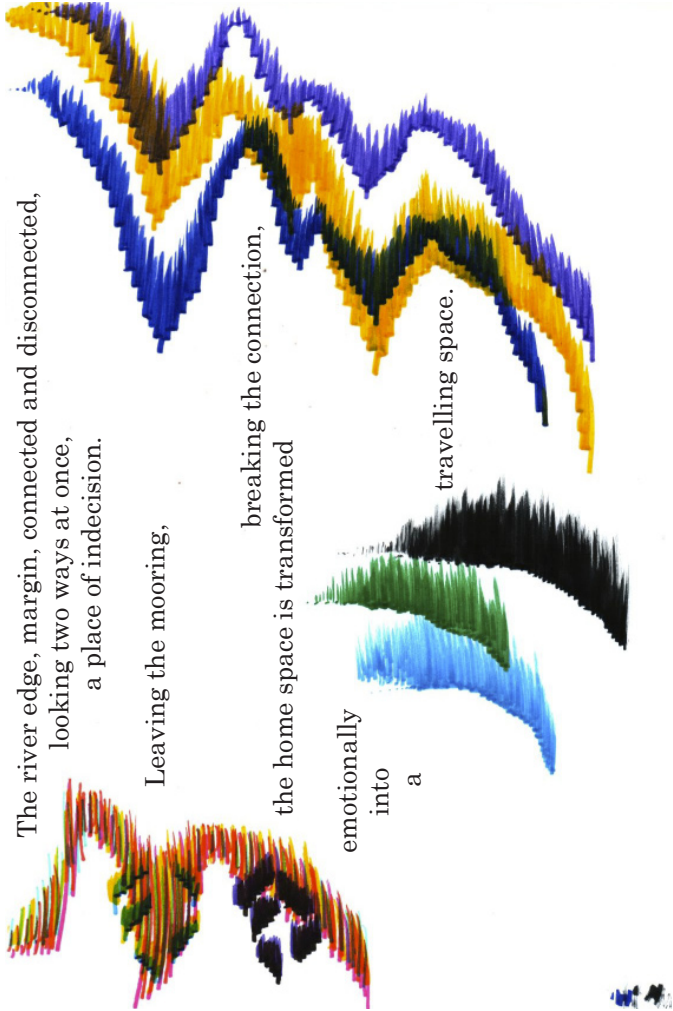
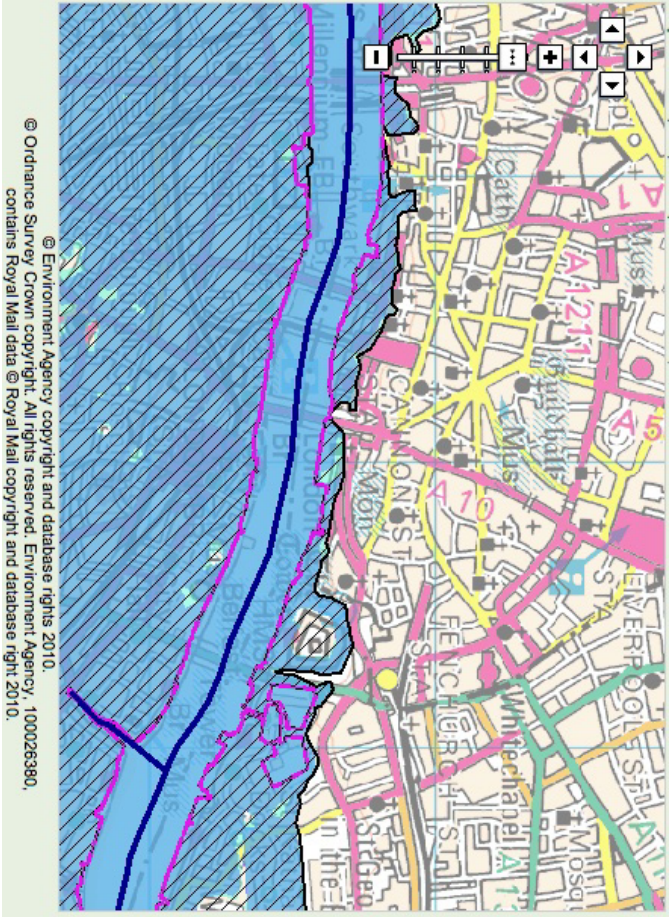


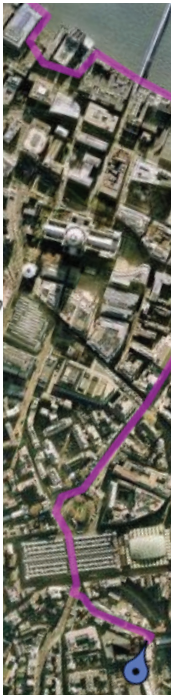


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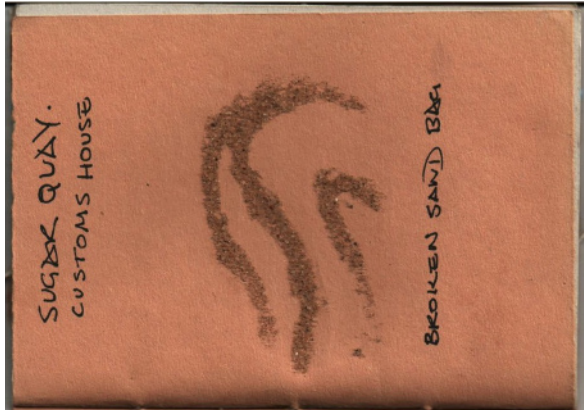


But in the river, on the shoreline, the river is filling and evacuating. The evacuation of stuff from the city, waste processing facility.





Queenhithe to Turnmill Street



A City Without River Rats or Sea Bitches

A creature scuttled out and escaped past,
Lightermen, Beefeaters, Mariners and Boris
Giles clicked, pixellating our e-scapes
Aurelia and Alexandra's whispered sounds echoed around

Martin had drawn the Tower and its quarters
Smoked Oysters blanketed the foreshore with hidden history
Anne prepared Dover Soles on the strand
Ben felt disconnected from his moorings

We were mudlarking; investigating the liminal
Whilst the City looked over,
Building a future full of shard
It's becoming a city without River Rats and Sea Bitches



Customs House to Old Billingsgate