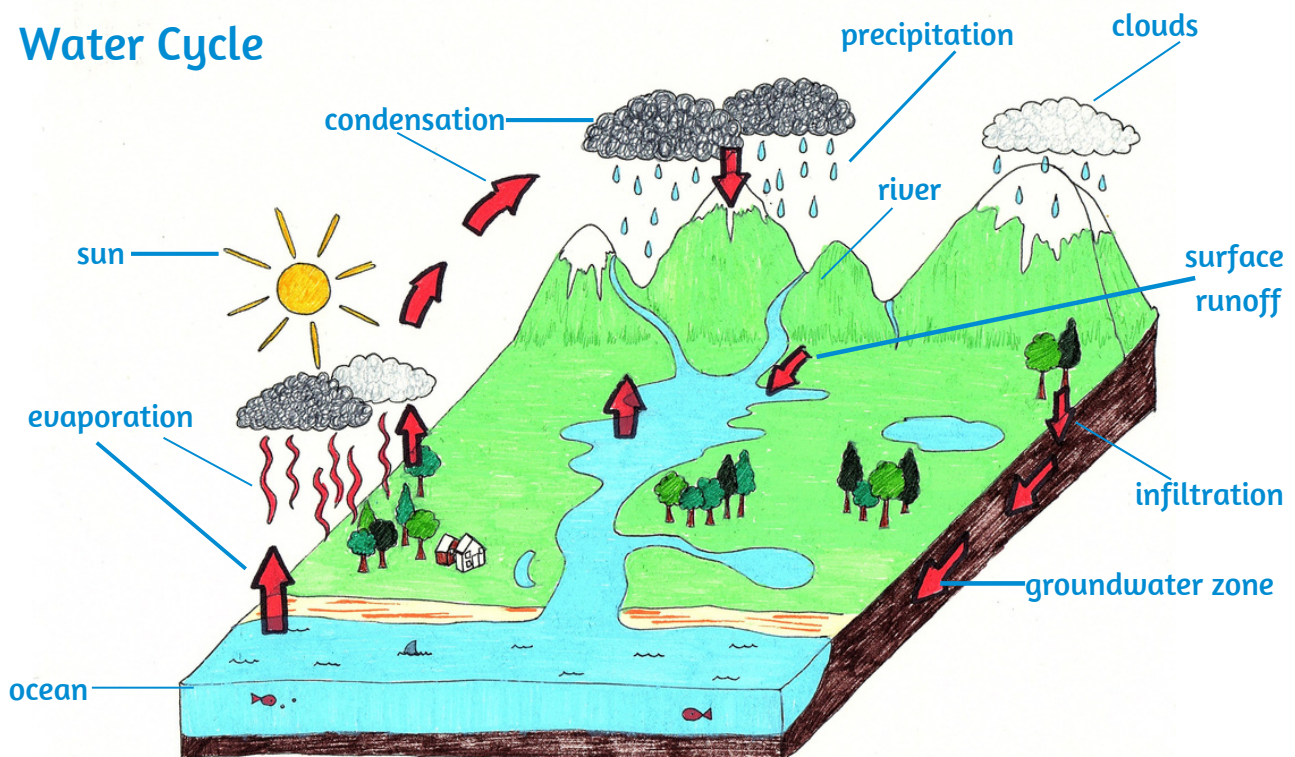


The Water Cycle

The Water Cycle is how we describe the continuous movement of water around the earth, from the land to the oceans to the atmosphere.

Water Cycle



Use these words to label the Water Cycle diagram:

evaporation precipitation ocean clouds condensation
groundwater zone surface runoff infiltration sun river

Find out what each of these terms means

Precipitation	Water that forms in the atmosphere and falls back to earth. Precipitation includes rain, drizzle, sleet, hail and snow.
Evaporation	The process of turning from a solid or liquid state (water) in to gas (water vapour or steam)
Condensation	The process of changing from a gas state (water vapour) to a liquid (water droplets in clouds)
Surface runoff	The flow of water, from rain, snowmelt or other sources, over the surface of the land
Infiltration	The process by which water on the ground surface enters the soil