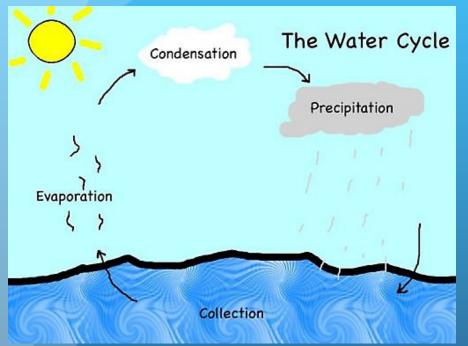
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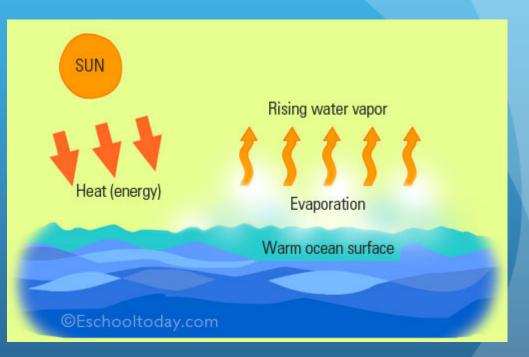


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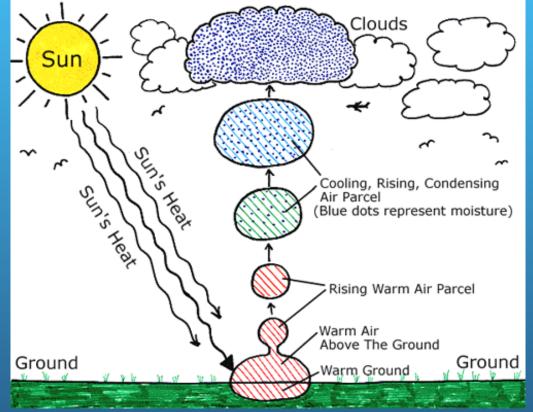
- <u>The Water cycle</u>- is the neverending movement of water between Earth's surface and the air.
- Consists of 4 stages:
 - Evaporation
 - Condensation
 - Precipitation
 - Groundwater

Evaporation

- <u>Evaporation-</u> the change of state from a liquid to a gas.
- The sun heats the ocean which causes water to evaporate and become water vapor.
- The water vapor mixes with other gases and moves high up in the air.



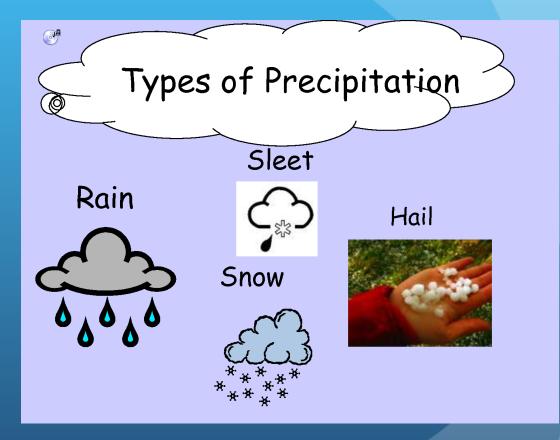
Condensation



- <u>Condensation-</u>the change of state from a gas to a liquid.
- When water vapor loses heat, it changes back to liquid water.
- As water vapor rises, it cools. The water vapor condenses to form water droplets on clouds.

Precipitation

- <u>Precipitation-</u>water that falls from the sky.
- Precipitation can be
 - Rain
 - Sleet
 - Snow
 - Hail
- The type of precipitation that falls depends on the temperature of the air around it.



Runoff LAKE Groundwater

Groundwater

- <u>Groundwater-</u>the water that flows underground.
- After water falls, it moves across land. Some water flows underground.
- Groundwater and surface water flow back to the ocean.

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The water cycle takes the water and moves it up and down and all around the Earth.