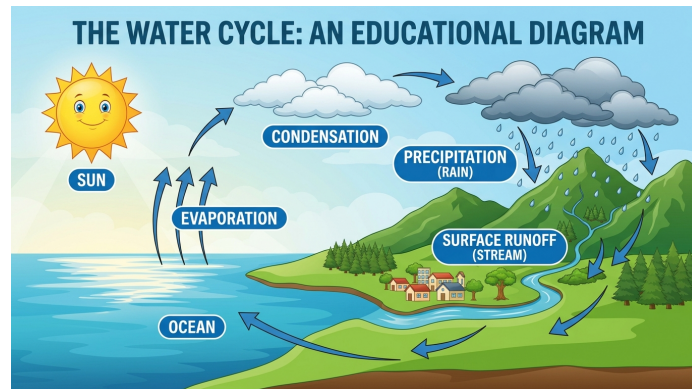


The Water Cycle: Evaporation, Condensation & Precipitation



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Study the water cycle diagram below. Then use the words in the word bank to complete each statement.



1. The primary energy source that powers the entire water cycle is theSun, which heats liquid water on Earth's surface.
2. DuringEvaporation, liquid water from oceans and lakes changes into an invisible gas.
3. Invisible moisture in the atmosphere is calledWater Vapor, which rises up into the cooler upper air.
4. When water vapor cools down and turns back into liquid droplets, it forms clouds in a process calledCondensation.
5. When clouds become too heavy, moisture falls back to Earth as rain, snow, sleet, or hail, known asPrecipitation.
6. Water that flows back into oceans, rivers, and underground aquifers is referred to asCollection.