

THE HYDROLOGIC CYCLE

CONDENSATION

EVAPORATION

PRECIPITATION

COLLECTION

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Evaporation

The process where liquid water turns into water vapor through heat from the sun.

Condensation

Water vapor in the air cools down and turns back into liquid, forming clouds.

Precipitation

Water falls from the atmosphere in the form of rain, snow, sleet, or hail.

Collection

Water gathers in oceans, rivers, lakes, and underground as groundwater.