THE WATER CYCLE



PRECIPITATION

Liquid (rain) or solid water (snow, hail) falls to earth.

INFILTRATION

Water moves through the soil down to the ground water.

EVAPORATION

When a liquid becomes a gas: water becomes water

vapour.

TRANSPIRATION

The evaporation of water from the leaves of plants.



CONDENSATION

When a gas turns into a liquid, ie water vapour becomes liquid.

RUNOFF

Water that is pulled by gravity across the land's surface. Runoff can cause erosion.

COLLECTION

When water falls from the clouds and collects in a body of water





