

How the Water cycle works



1 Evaporation

2 Condensation

3 Precipitation



5 Transpiration

4 River

1 Evaporation

The Sun's heat turns water into an invisible gas called water vapour which rises into the air.

2 Condensation

Clouds are formed when water vapour cools and turns back into tiny water droplets.

3 Precipitation

When the water droplets grow larger and heavier they fall back to Earth as rain, hail, sleet or snow.

4 River

Water flows from the land to the sea through streams and rivers and lets the water cycle continue.

5 Transpiration

Plants take in water through their roots and get rid of excess water through their leaves.

Because of the way the water cycle works, there is no new water on the planet. We are drinking the same water as the dinosaurs!