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Stages of the water cycle

Link evaporation, condensation and precipitation in a model.

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Read or look closely

Water evaporates. As vapour cools it may form droplets in clouds. Water returns to the ground as precipitation.

Your turn

1. What is liquid changing to gas called?

2. What can form when water vapour condenses in air?

3. Name two forms of precipitation.

4. Draw a lake, a cloud and rain. Add arrows to show how the water moves. Label your diagram with “evaporation,” “condensation” and “precipitation.”

5. After rain, how might some water reach a lake?