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| **Evaporation**On a warm, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day, water in a glass of water seems to slowly disappear. This is because the energy from the sun is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the water up and turning the liquid water into water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This process is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. When the water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it becomes an invisible gas in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Evaporation takes places all over the earth, but especially in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ where there is lots of water. CondensationAs the water vapor rises, it cools off and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. If the water vapor becomes extremely cold, it will form ice \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ instead of water droplets. As the water droplets or ice crystals grow bigger and more numerous, they form \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.PrecipitationIf water droplets or ice crystals become too \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, they can’t stay in the air. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Water droplets precipitate as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and ice crystals precipitate as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes, the rain freezes before it hits the earth and precipitates as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |
| rain4 | RunoffThis precipitation gathers into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that flow down to the lakes and oceans. This is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Not all of the water makes it back to the oceans and lakes right away. Some of it is used by animals and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Some is frozen into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Eventually, the animals and plants breathe the water out and the glaciers melt, releasing the water back into the water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |

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