

# Water Cycle Vocabulary

Precipitation: When water falls from clouds in the form of rain, snow, or sleet.

Percolation: When water seeps into the ground and gets deposited into bodies of water or directed toward plant roots

Absorption: When water is taken up by the roots of plants

Transpiration: The process by which plants “sweat” or release water through the leaves

Evaporation: When the sun warms water on the surfaces of lakes, rivers, streams, oceans and plants causing the water to change from a liquid into a gas (water vapor).

Condensation: When water vapor floats up into the sky and cools turning back into water droplets that then come together to form clouds

Prediction: An educated guess as to what will happen

Conclusion: A final decision that is reached after learning and testing has happened