

# WATER CYCLE TERMS

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## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A large movement of water in a single direction



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

How many things in a specific space



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The temperature at which water in the air condenses to become water droplets near the ground



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A mass of water drops or ice crystals suspended in the atmosphere



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Tiny particles that water vapor condenses on to form water droplets



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The process where water vapor changes into liquid



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

An underground layer of rock or soil that contains groundwater



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The layer of gases that surrounds the earth and blocks out harmful rays of sunlight



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The weather conditions at a location over a longer period of time



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CLOUD



CURRENT



ATMOSPHERE



CLOUD CONDENSATION  
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DENSITY



CLIMATE



CONDENSATION



DEW POINT



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A large mass of ice that moves slowly across the land



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The largest freshwater bodies of water in the world, located in the United States



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

When moisture from the land evaporates into the atmosphere and by transpiration from plants



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Many particles of water together near the ground making it hard to see



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Living and nonliving things interacting with each other in the environment



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

When soil and rock are worn away, usually by wind or water



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Gas in the atmosphere that absorbs solar heat reflected by the Earth's surface



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A lake, river, or spring that is not salty and from which animals can drink



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The process of liquid changing into vapor



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## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Something too small to see  
except through a microscope



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A substance that harms  
a natural resource



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

All types of water that fall  
from the atmosphere to  
the ground



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A large cover of ice, often  
shaped like a dome, that lasts  
a long time



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A layer of ice that melts little  
or none and covers a large  
area of land



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A large body of water that is  
surrounded by land



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Water that collects and flows  
through soil and rocks below  
the ground



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The amount of water vapor  
in the air



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Water frozen in a solid form



GROUNDWATER



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## WATER CYCLE TERMS

The constant movement of water between Earth and its atmosphere



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Describes the state of the atmosphere which includes temperature, humidity, cloudiness, precipitation, and wind



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Natural movement of the air



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

How hot or cold an object is, measured by a thermometer



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Water that evaporates from plants into the atmosphere



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Liquid (like fog) that is suspended in the air



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

A natural, flowing body of water that flows by gravity to a lake, sea, or other body of water



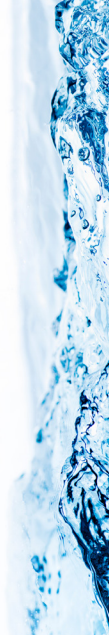
## WATER CYCLE TERMS

When there is more water than the land can absorb and the water flows into streams, lakes, and rivers



## WATER CYCLE TERMS

Water and runoff that comes from the melting of snow





RIVER



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WATER CYCLE



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RUNOFF



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