## WHAT DO THESE WORDS MEAN?

Read the passage and find the meanings of the highlighted words.

## The Water Cycle

The water cycle is a natural process that explains how water goes up into the sky, forms clouds, and then comes back down to Earth as rain, snow, or hail. This process happens over and over and is really important for keeping Earth"s water supply healthy.

The first part of the water cycle is called evaporation. This happens when water from rivers, lakes, and oceans turn into tiny bits of water in the air, like steam from a kettle due to the sun. These tiny water bits come together to make clouds in the sky. When the clouds get heavy with water, the tiny bits of water join together to make bigger drops. When these drops get heavy enough, they fall from the clouds as rain, snow, sleet, or hail. All this falling water helps fill up rivers, lakes, and places underground where we can get water. Then, when the sun shines on the water, it starts to go up into the sky again, and the whole process starts over.





| What is meant by the word "process"?   |
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| <ul> <li>A special event</li> <li>A series of actions or steps taken to achieve a particular result</li> <li>A large body of water</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>What is the meaning of the word "evaporation"?</li> <li>When water turns into ice</li> <li>The process of water changing from a liquid to a gas because of heat</li> <li>The process of water freezing</li> </ul> |
| What does "atmosphere" refer to?   |
| <ul> <li>The feeling in a room</li> <li>The layer of air that surrounds the Earth</li> <li>The sound made by the wind</li> </ul>   |
| 4 What does "condenses" mean?  |
| <ul> <li>To make something hotter</li> <li>To change from a gas to a liquid</li> <li>To make something brighter</li> </ul>   |
| What is the meaning of the word "replenishes"?   |
| <ul><li>To fill up again</li><li>To empty completely</li></ul>   |
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