

Nova's Water Cycle Journey

Learning objective: To identify and describe the stages of the water cycle.

Nova the owl is watching the water cycle from her tree! Look at the words in the word bank. Write the correct word next to the right number to label the diagram. Use the sentences below to help you finish the steps.

Word bank: Evaporation · Condensation · Precipitation · Collection

1. 1. The sun warms the water in the sea. It turns into invisible vapour and rises up. This is called:

_____ (1 mark)

2. 2. High in the sky, the cold air turns the vapour back into tiny water droplets to form clouds. This is called:

_____ (1 mark)

3. 3. When the clouds get heavy, water falls to the ground as rain, snow, or hail. This is called:

_____ (1 mark)

4. 4. The water runs into rivers and back to the sea to be stored. This is called:

_____ (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture showing the sun, a cloud, and some rain falling into a river. Label your drawing with the four words from the word bank.



Extension challenge: Can you think of one place you have seen water 'collecting'? (Hint: Think about a puddle, a pond, or a swimming pool!)