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What is the water cycle?

The background is a light gray gradient. In the top-left and bottom-right corners, there are several realistic water droplets of various sizes, some overlapping. A faint, large, circular, textured pattern is centered in the upper half of the image, resembling a ripple or a lens flare.

What are the water cycle vocab words?



- Evaporation – water changing from a liquid to a gas
- Condensation – water gas (vapor) is changed into a liquid
- Precipitation – clouds release the water in the form of rain, sleet, snow or hail

WATER CYCLE

Evaporation
from Oceans,
Lakes & Streams

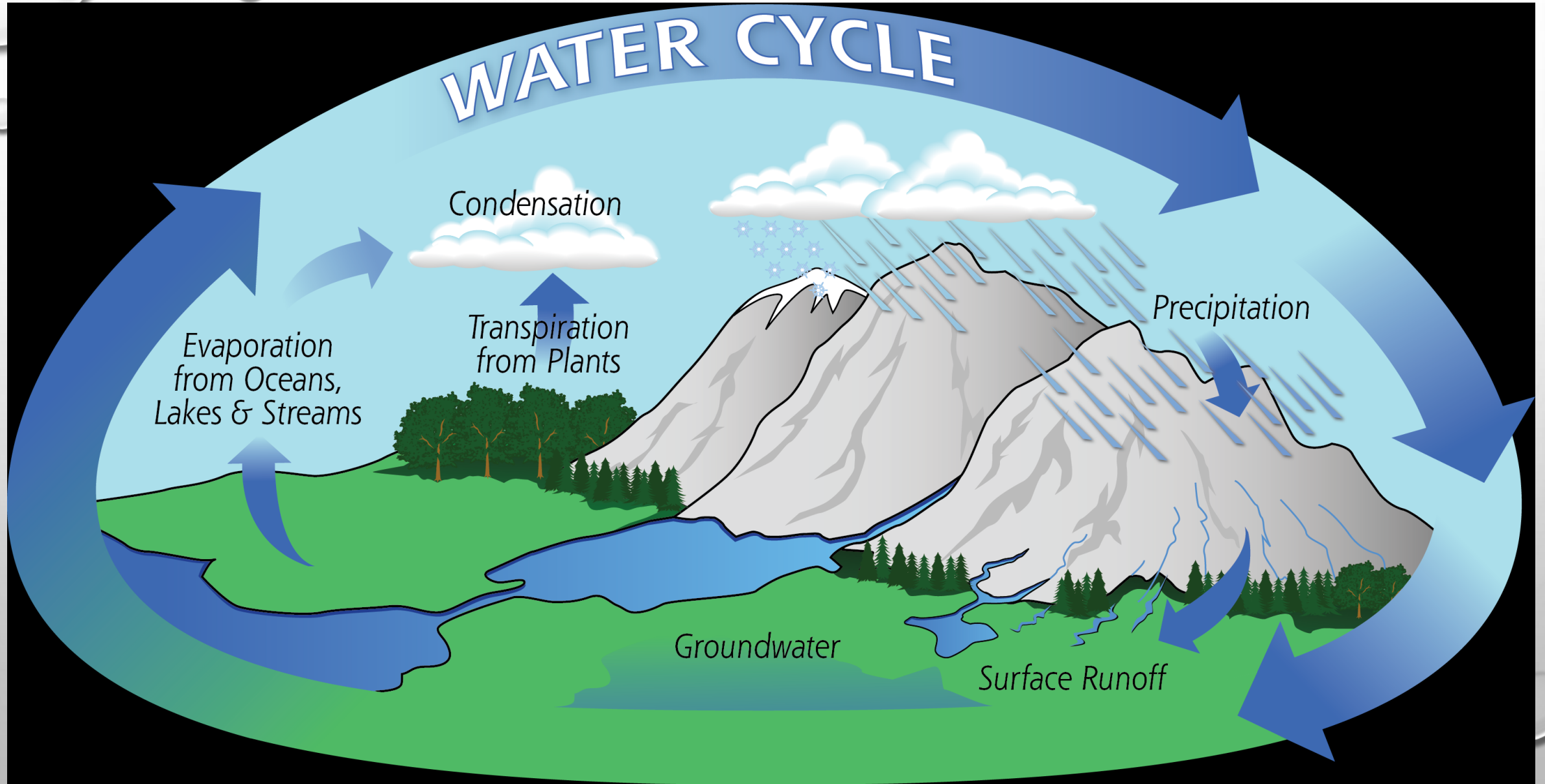
Condensation

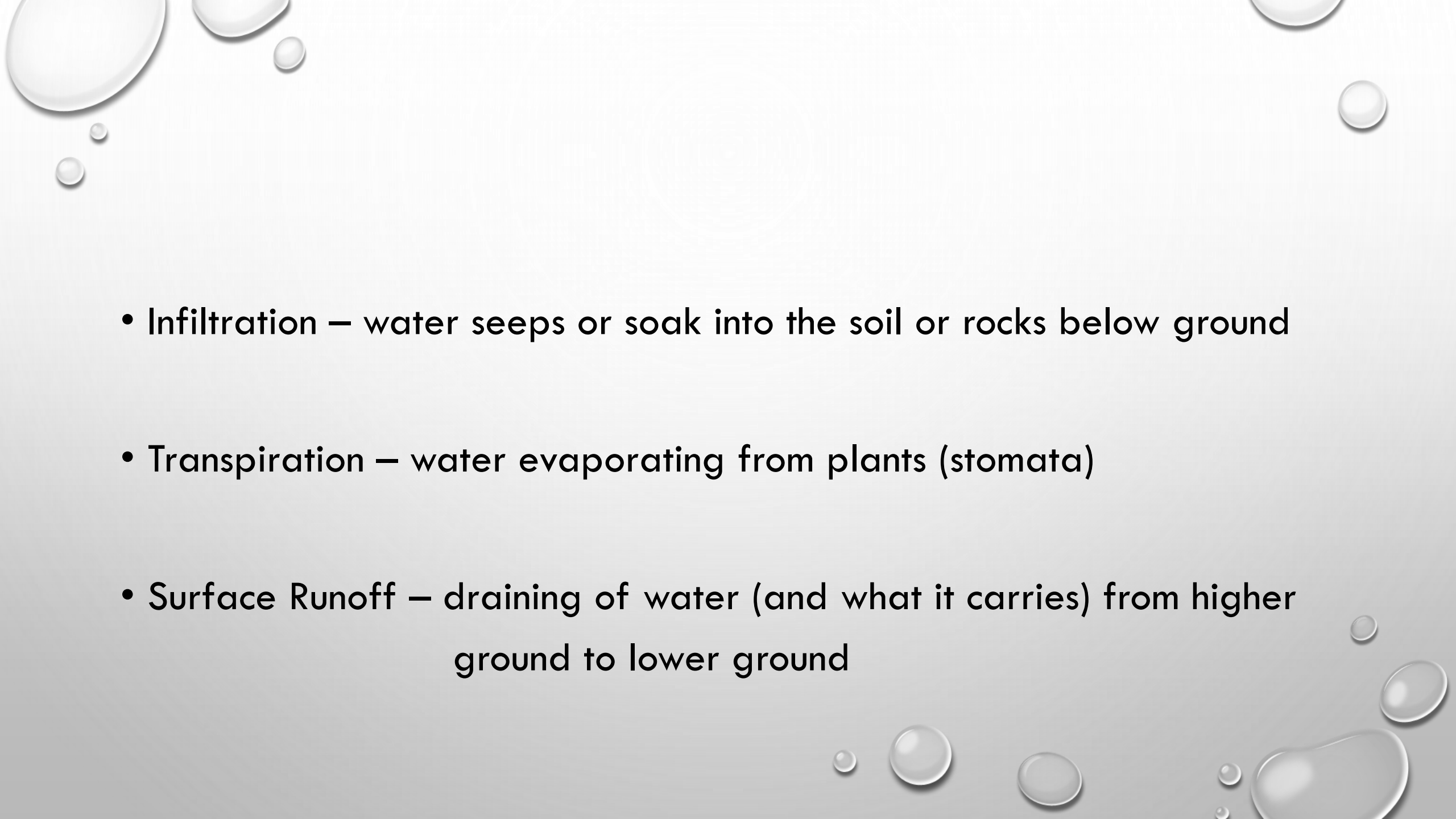
Transpiration
from Plants

Precipitation

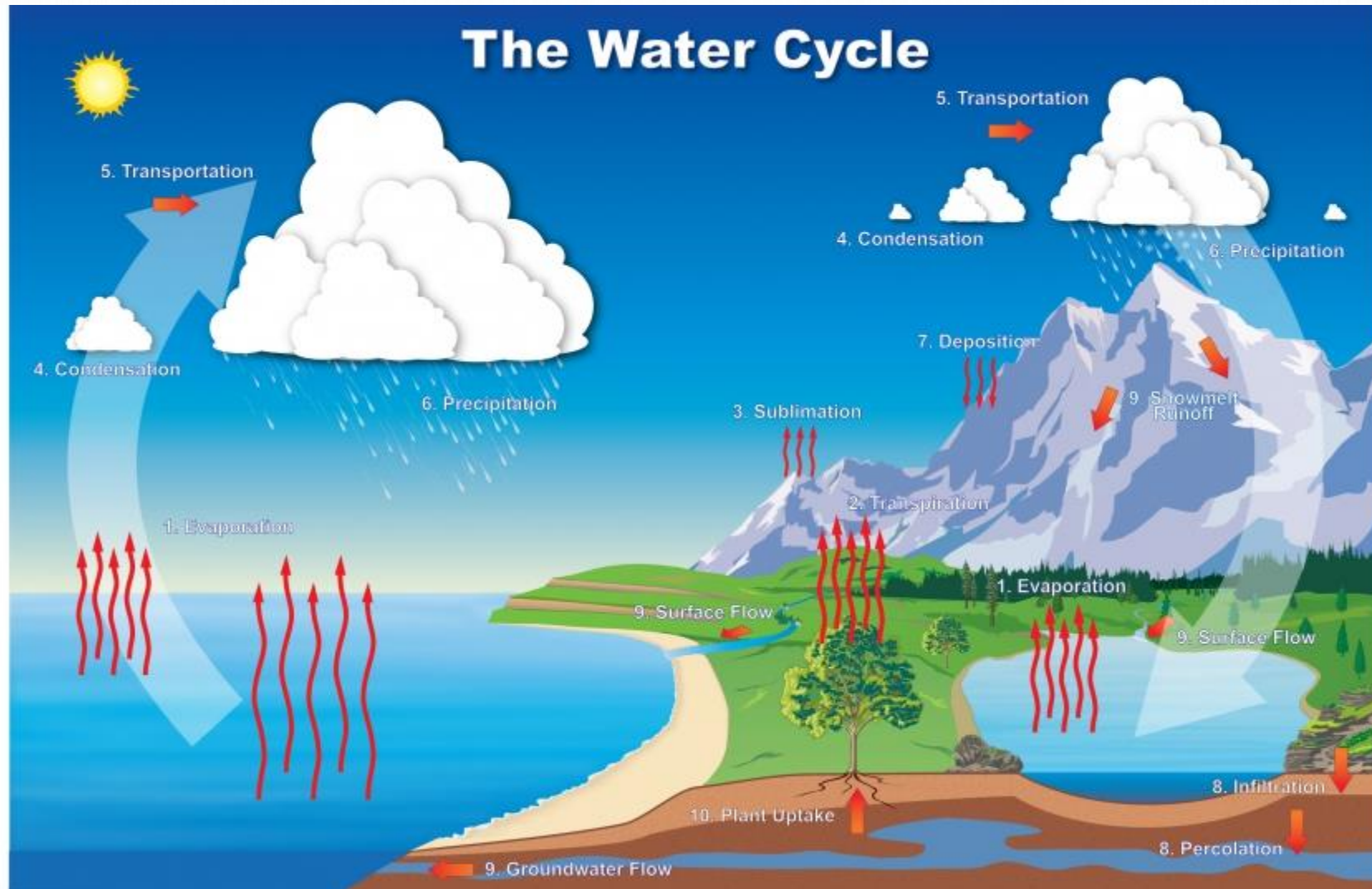
Groundwater

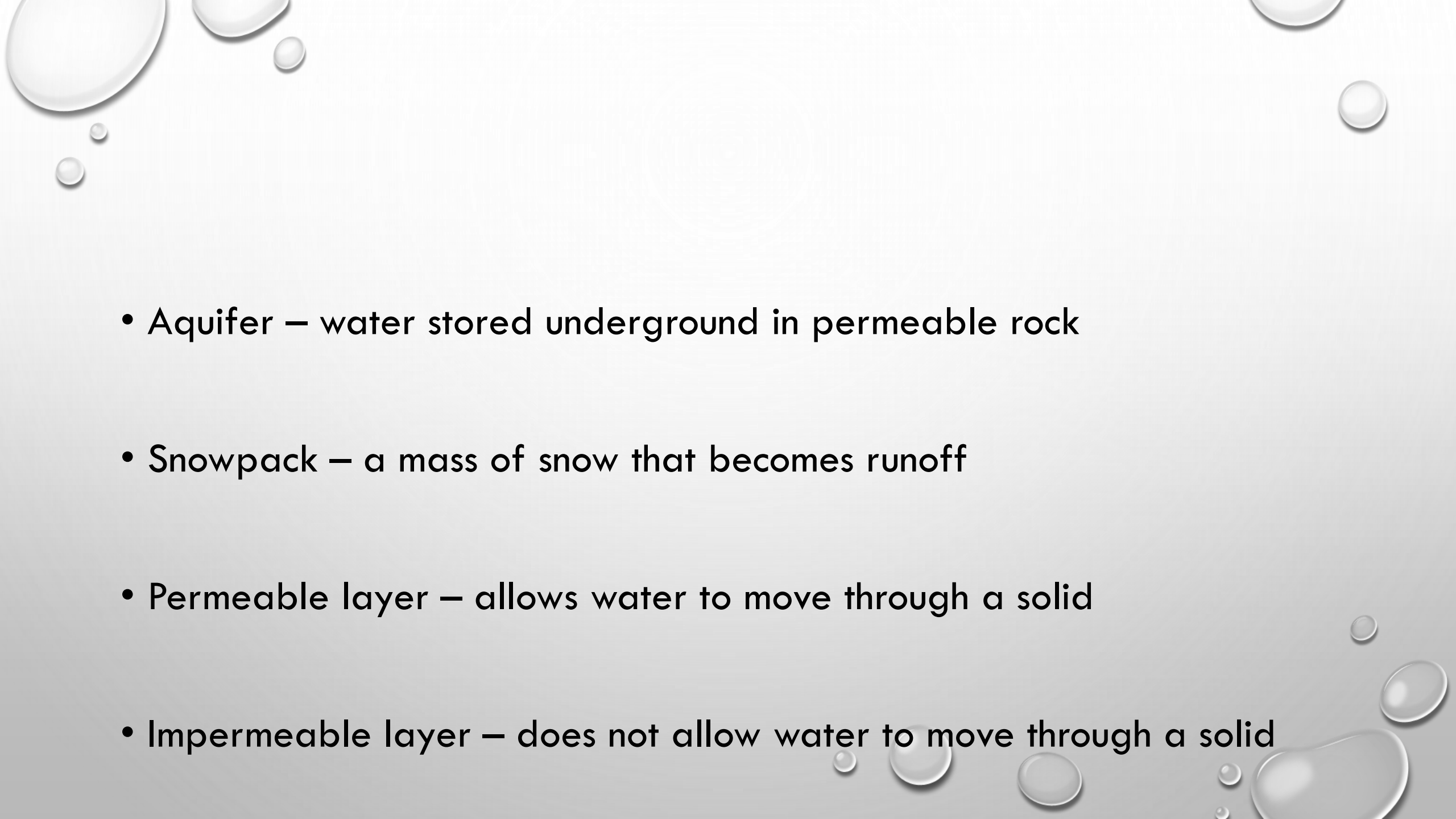
Surface Runoff



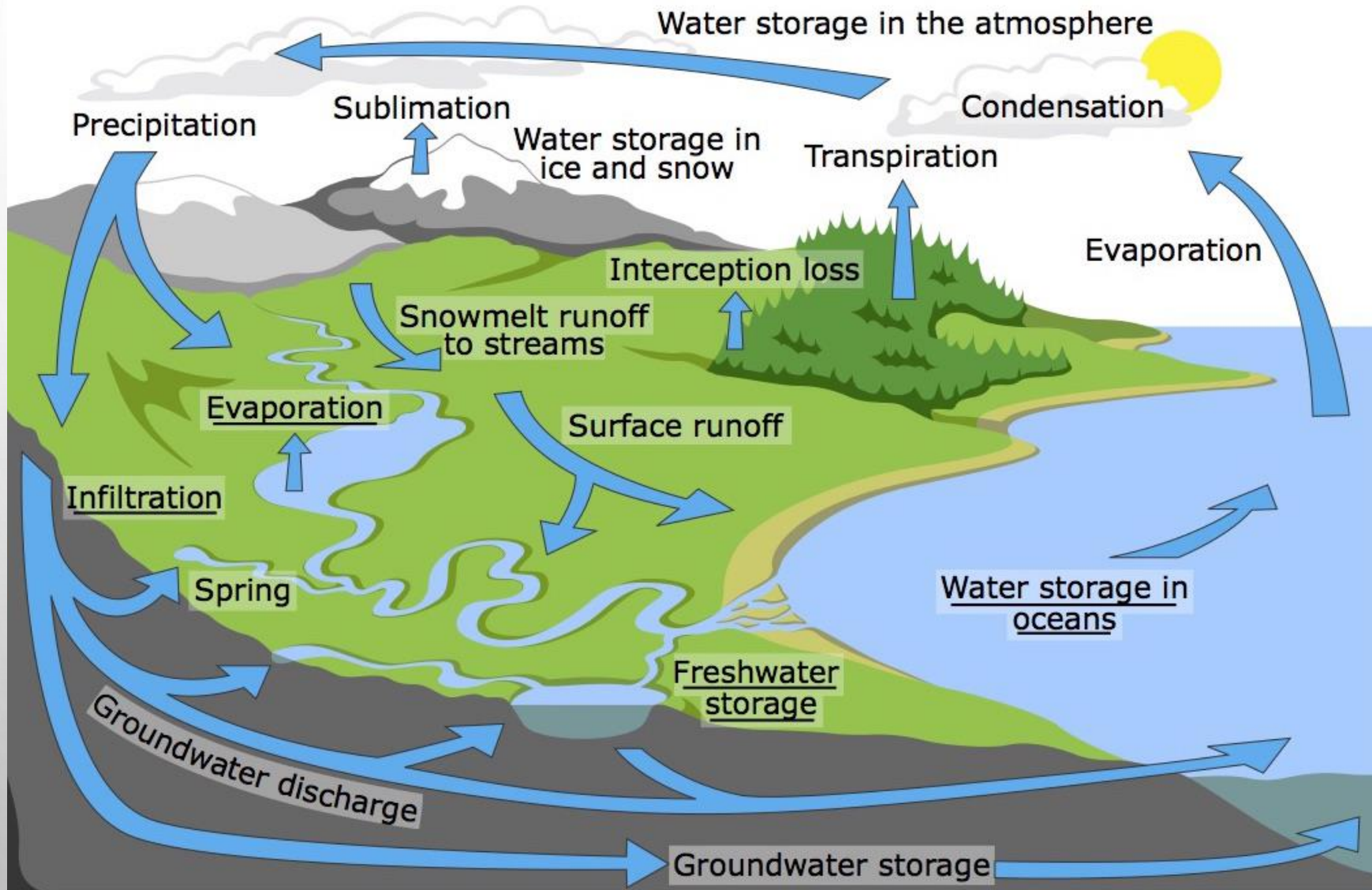
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- Infiltration – water seeps or soak into the soil or rocks below ground
 - Transpiration – water evaporating from plants (stomata)
 - Surface Runoff – draining of water (and what it carries) from higher ground to lower ground

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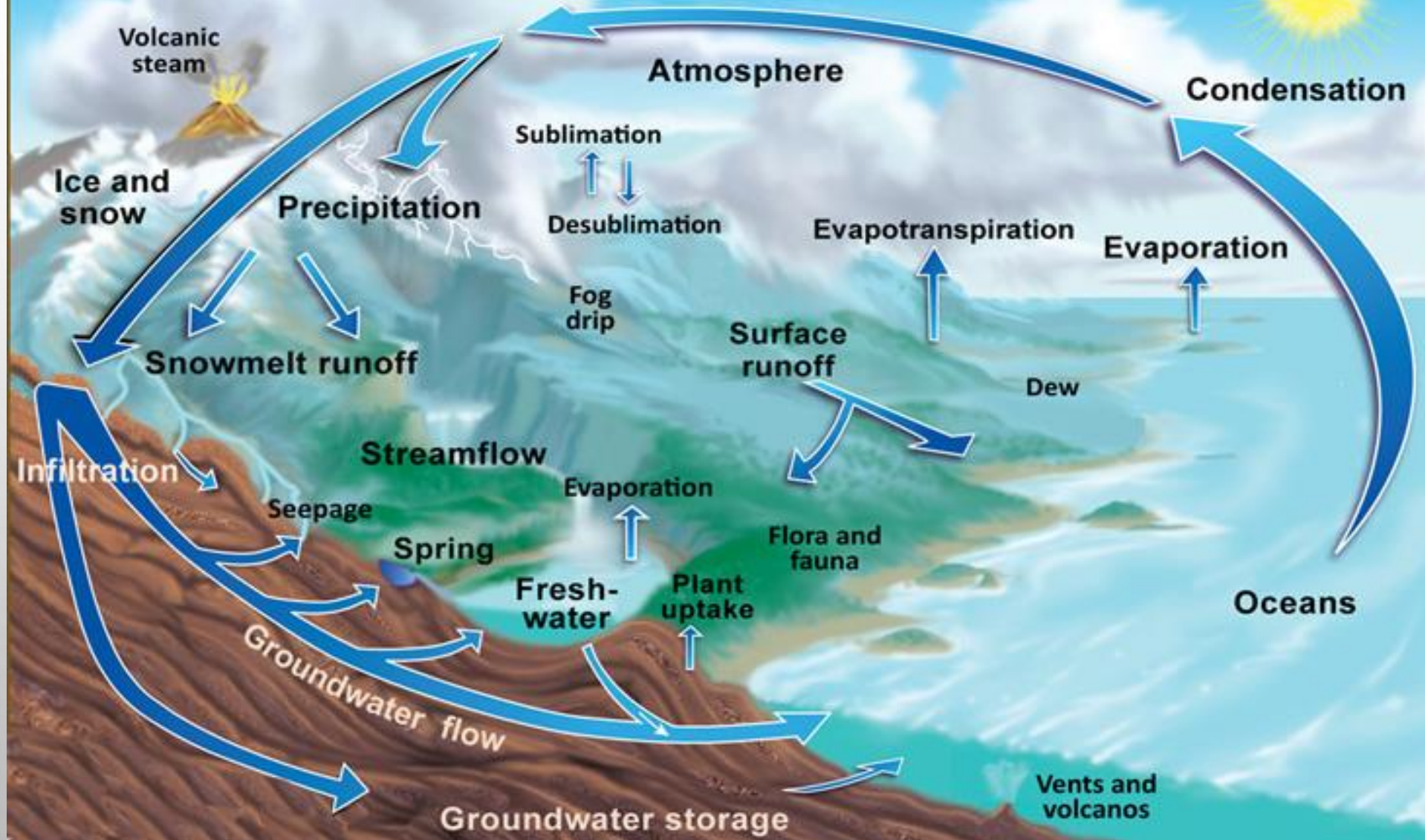


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- Aquifer – water stored underground in permeable rock
 - Snowpack – a mass of snow that becomes runoff
 - Permeable layer – allows water to move through a solid
 - Impermeable layer – does not allow water to move through a solid

DYNAMIC AND COMPLEX: THE GLOBAL WATER CYCLE



The Water Cycle



The background of the slide is a light gray gradient. In the top-left and bottom-right corners, there are several realistic water droplets of various sizes, rendered with soft shadows and highlights to give them a three-dimensional appearance. In the center of the slide, there is a faint, circular watermark. It features a globe in the background with a play button icon in the center, and the text "WATER CYCLE KIDS" is written around the perimeter of the circle.

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