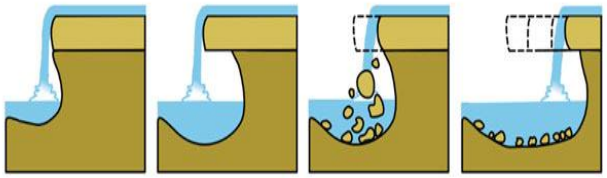
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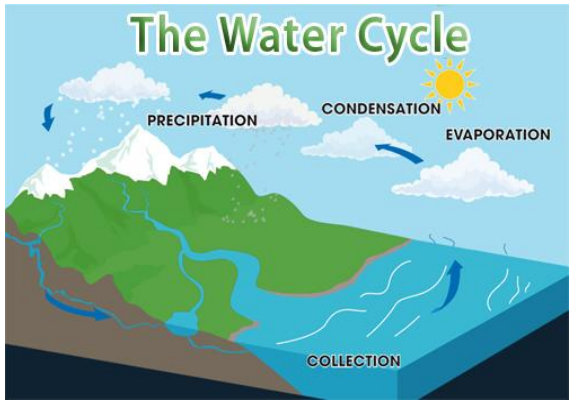
LKS2 Knowledge Organiser – Term 4 Geography – The water cycle and rivers

Outcomes
In this topic you will:
Ask and answer questions about the geography of a location.
Use maps and atlases, to locate countries and describe features.
Use a range of resources to identify the key geographical features of a location.
Name and locate different places in the United Kingdom.
Describe the human and physical characteristics of different locations.
Understanding how the geography of an area changes over time.
Describe key aspects of physical geography, including: rivers, and the water cycle.

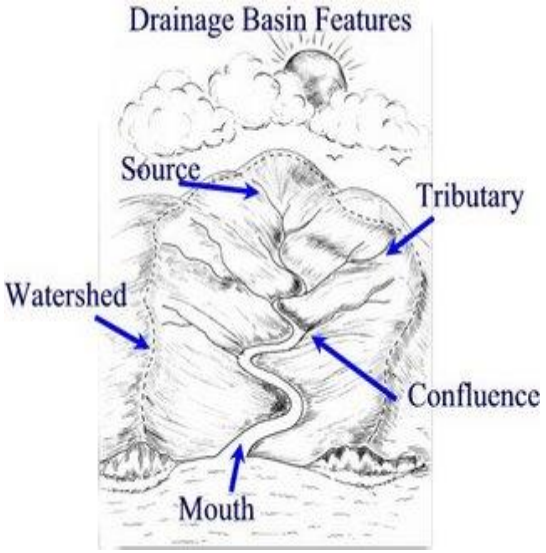
The formation of a waterfall



Water cycle



The Drainage Basin



Key Vocabulary
water cycle: the cycle of water between the ocean, atmosphere, and land, involving precipitation , drainage in streams and rivers, and return to the atmosphere by evaporation and transpiration.
drainage basin: the land over which a river and its tributaries flows
Tributary: a smaller stream or river that joins a larger stream or river.
confluence: where a tributary joins the larger stream or river.
erosion: the wearing away and removal of rock and other material.
deposition: when sand, pebbles and rocks settle on the bed of a river.
gorge: a narrow, steep-sided valley formed as a waterfall erodes the land.

The Grand Canyon

