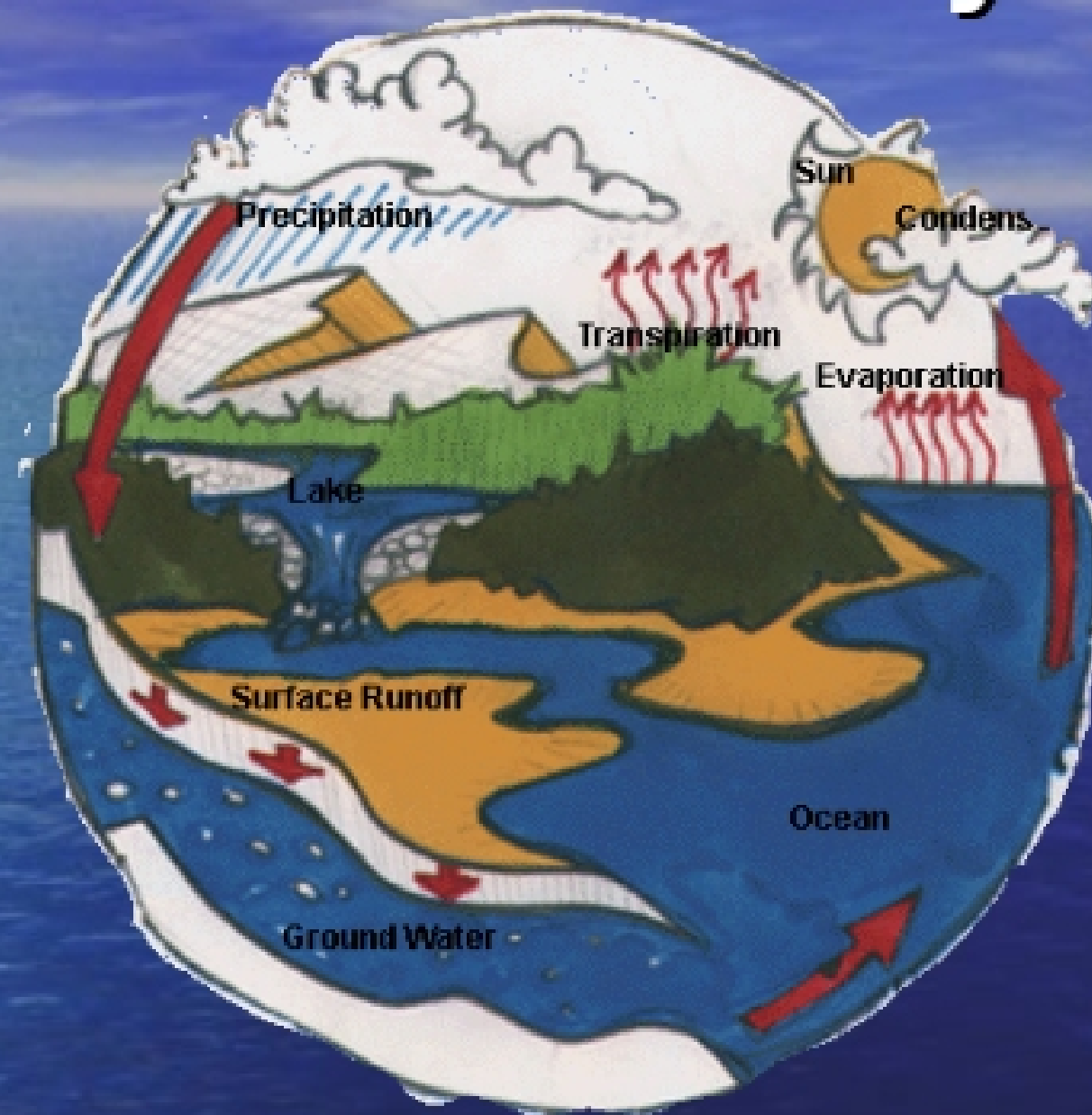


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- The water cycle is a process that is constantly recycling the Earth's supply of water
- It is important because humans, animals and plants all need water to survive
- There are three major steps to the water cycle

# Step One - Evaporation

- The water cycle is controlled by the Sun, which produces energy in the form of heat
- The heat energy causes the water in oceans, lakes, puddles, etc. to evaporate
- The water now changes from a liquid to a gas, and is now called water vapor
- This process is called evaporation