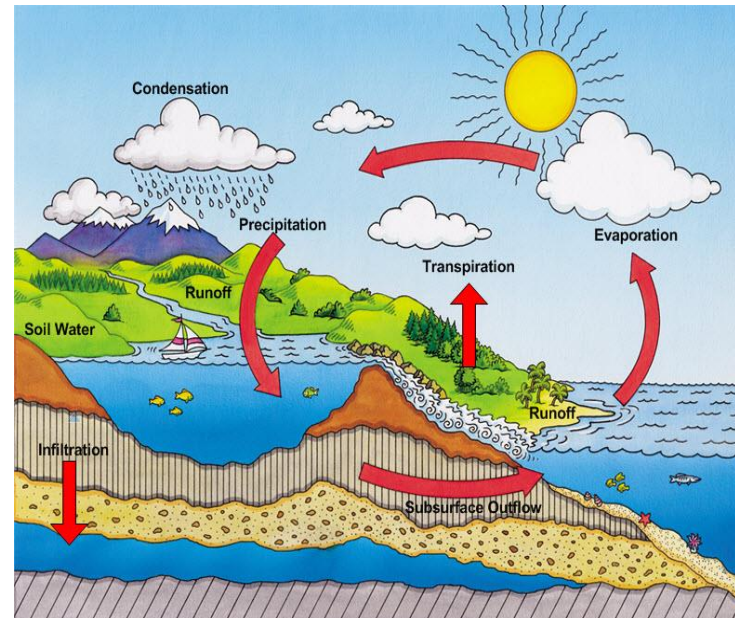


The River Severn

1. The River Severn is the longest river in the UK. It is 354m long.
2. Its source is in Wales and it travels through Shropshire, Worcester and Gloucester before emptying into the Bristol Channel.
3. Farmers live near the Severn as the land is good for growing crops.
4. In 2007 the River Severn flooded the town of Tewkesbury, in Worcester. 1,800 homes were destroyed.



The Water Cycle



The River Ganges

1. The River Ganges source is in the Himalayan Mountains and it flows into the Bay of Bengal.
2. The river provides essential water for local people and businesses.
3. The river plays an important part in the beliefs and everyday life of the Hindu population in India.
4. The Ganges suffers from extreme pollution. This causes many illnesses and even deaths.
5. The Ganges River Dolphin is under threat of extinction due to the poor living conditions.

Vocabulary

1	Source	The starting point of a river.
2	Tributaries	A small river or stream which flows into a larger one.
3	Meander	A curvy part of a river.
4	Erosion	When rock is broken down into small bits or worn away by water or the wind.
5	Deposition	When water drops off the rock, sand and soil it is carrying along.
6	Load	All the bits of rock, sand or soil carried along a river or by the sea.
7	Estuary	The really wide part of the river where it joins the sea.
8	Ox Bow Lake	A lake, or area of water, in a U-shape.
9	Waterfall	A place in a river where water spills suddenly downward.
10	Flood Plain	The area of flat land around a river that floods when the river gets too full.
11	Confluence	The point where two streams or rivers join together to become one larger river.