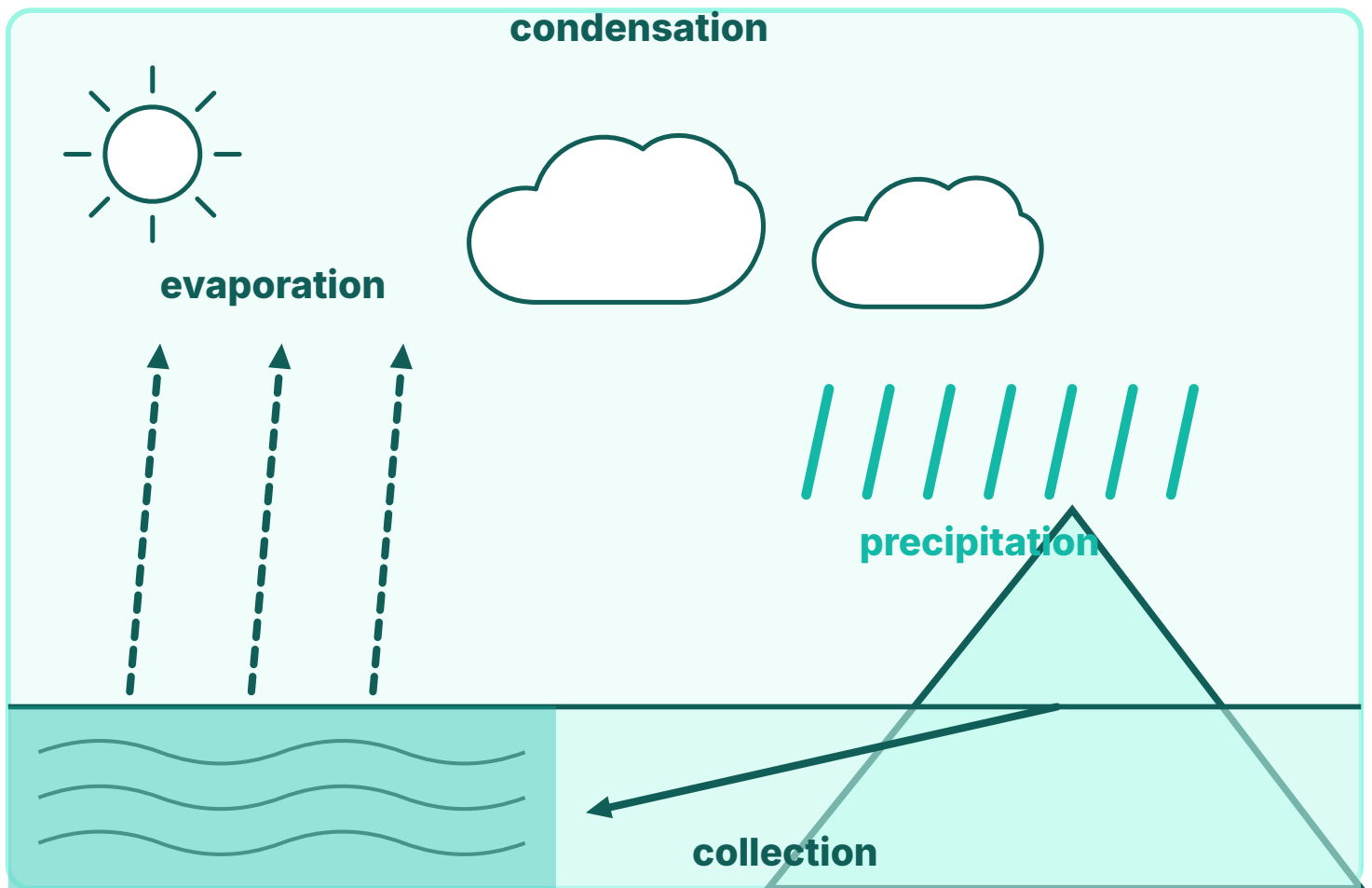


The Water Cycle

3rd Grade

The four stages water moves through, drawn as one landscape.



1

EVAPORATION

The sun heats seas, lakes and puddles. Water rises as invisible vapour.

2

CONDENSATION

High up it is cold. The vapour cools into droplets and forms clouds.

3

PRECIPITATION

Droplets join until they are heavy enough to fall — rain, snow or hail.

4

COLLECTION

Water gathers in rivers and oceans, or soaks into the ground.

No new water is ever made — it has been round this loop for millions of years.