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4th Grade Water Cycle Worksheet

Section A - Label the stage

1. Water turns into vapor and rises from the ocean. _____
2. Vapor cools high in the sky and forms clouds. _____
3. Water falls from clouds as rain or snow. _____
4. Water flows back into rivers, lakes, and oceans. _____
5. The sun heats water in lakes and rivers. _____

Section B - Match the word to its meaning

1. evaporation A. water falling from clouds _____
2. condensation B. liquid water turning into vapor _____
3. precipitation C. vapor turning back into liquid _____
4. collection D. water gathering in lakes and oceans _____

Section C - Explain in your own words

1. Why does the water cycle never stop? _____
2. What would happen if there were no sun? _____
3. How does water get back into the ocean? _____

Answer Key

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| 1. evaporation | 7. C |
| 2. condensation | 8. A |
| 3. precipitation | 9. D |
| 4. collection | 10. Because the sun keeps adding energy and water is reused |
| 5. evaporation | 11. The water cycle would stop - no evaporation |
| 6. B | 12. Through rivers and streams (runoff) |