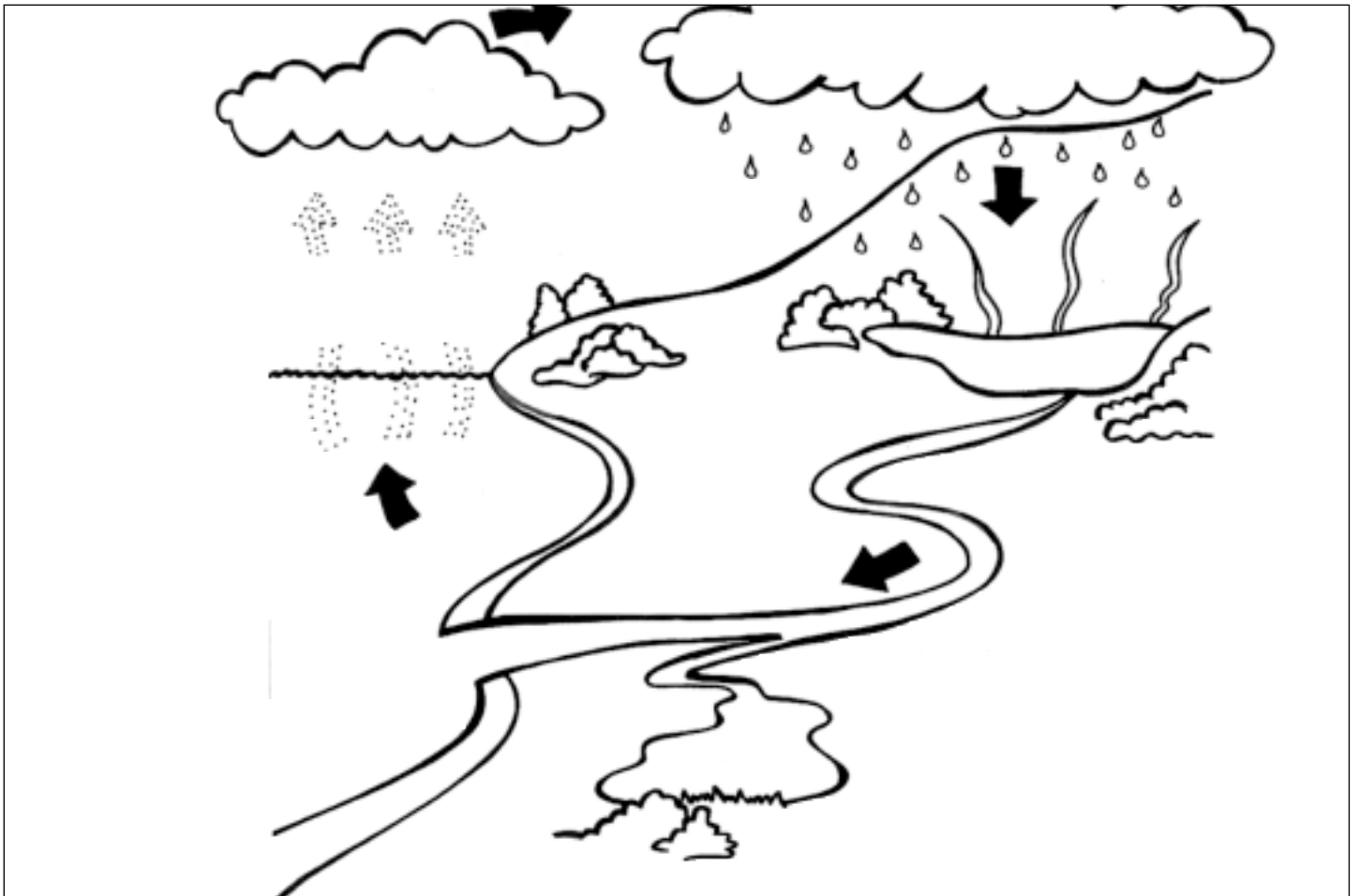


WATER CYCLE ACTIVITY ONE



Water is constantly moving. Water falls from the clouds to Earth as rain, hail and snow. It evaporates from the sea, lakes and rivers and rises into the atmosphere where it condenses to form clouds. Plants and people also recycle water into the atmosphere.

If a cloud is cold enough, rain may fall. This often happens when sea breezes blow on to the land. The run-off water forms streams and rivers, and eventually flows back to the sea again. This cycle has been going on for millions of years.

Because the water cycle is a “closed system” – in other words, there is no more water now than when the world began, it is quite possible that some of the 22 litres of water circulating in your body could have floated Cleopatra down the Nile, or been partly responsible for the sinking of the Titanic, not to mention having been drunk by Dinosaurs.

- Look at some other information about the water cycle. Make sure you understand all about it.
- Imagine you are a drop of water. Write a story about your adventures as part of the water cycle. Remember all the things that can happen to a drop of water. Your story could take place over a day, a week, a year, or perhaps millions of years!

Other Ideas

- Make your story into a picture strip
- Make your story into a ‘big book’ (A3 or A2 size) for younger children. You will need to include some colourful pictures. Maybe you could visit a junior class and read the children your story.
- Make your story into a play, mime or dance.