Water Vocabulary

- 1. **Atmosphere** The layers of air that surround Earth's surface
- 2. **Cloud** A mass of tiny droplets of condensed water in the atmosphere
- 3. **Condensation** the change of state from a gas to a liquid
- 4. **Evaporation** The change of state from a liquid to a gas
- 5. **Freeze** The process in which moving particles slow down, lose heat, and change from a liquid to a solid
- Groundwater- water stored in the cracks of underground rock
- Melt- When water particles absorb heat energy and change from a solid to a liquid
- 8. **Precipitation** Any form of water that falls from clouds to Earth's surface
- Runoff- The draining away of water from the surface of a land area
- 10. Soil water- water that soaks into the ground
- 11. **Water cycle** The movement of water into the air as water vapor and back to Earth's surface as precipitation
- 12. **Water vapor** The water in a gas state; gas in the earth's atmosphere (the smoke from boiling water is water vapor)