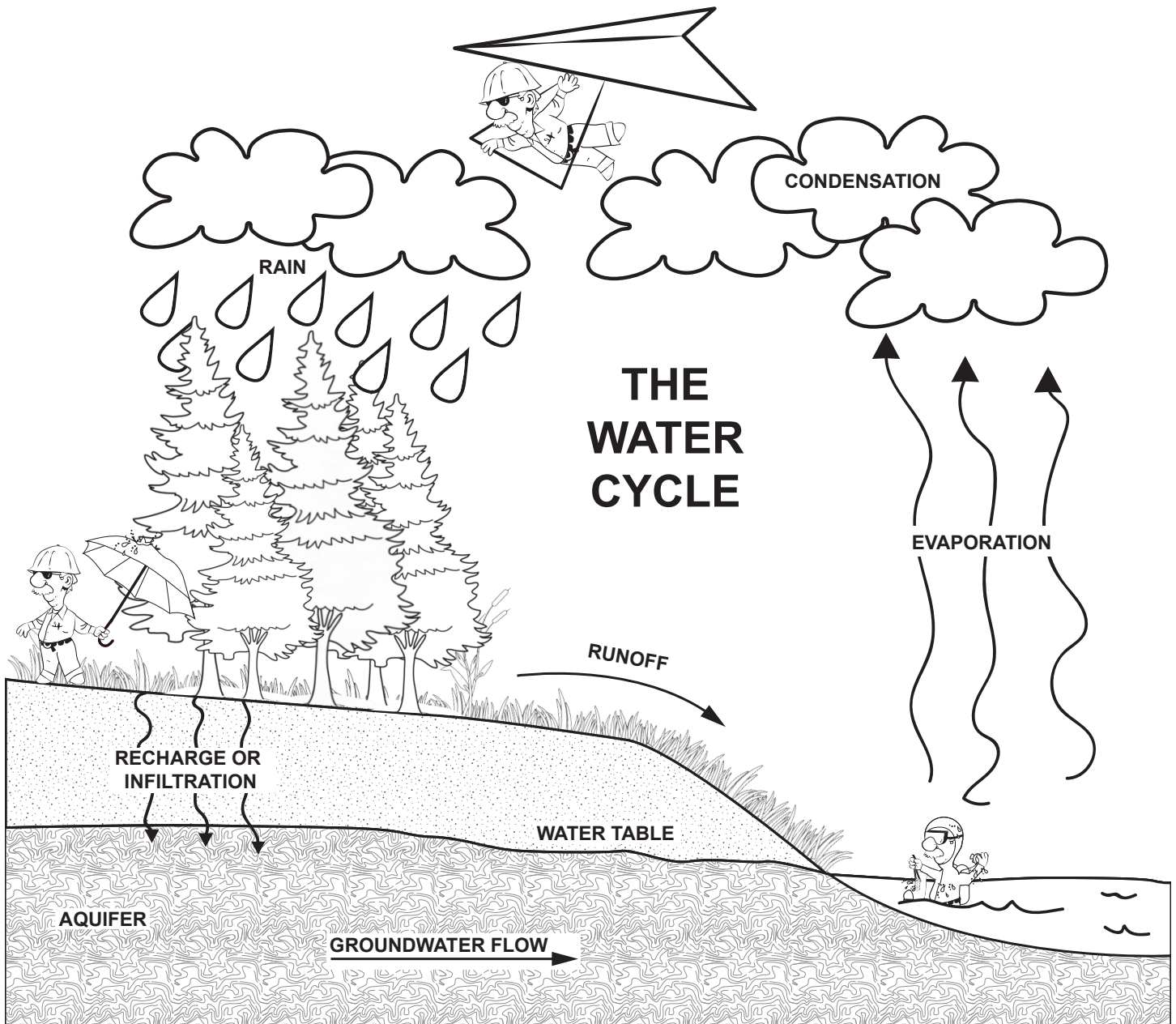


Stormwater Activities for Kids



Color Stormwater Sam Through the Water Cycle!!

What Can You Do?

Read the back page about preventing stormwater pollution and list four things that you and your family can do to prevent stormwater pollution.

1. _____
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4. _____

Connect the Dots



Only rain in the storm drain!

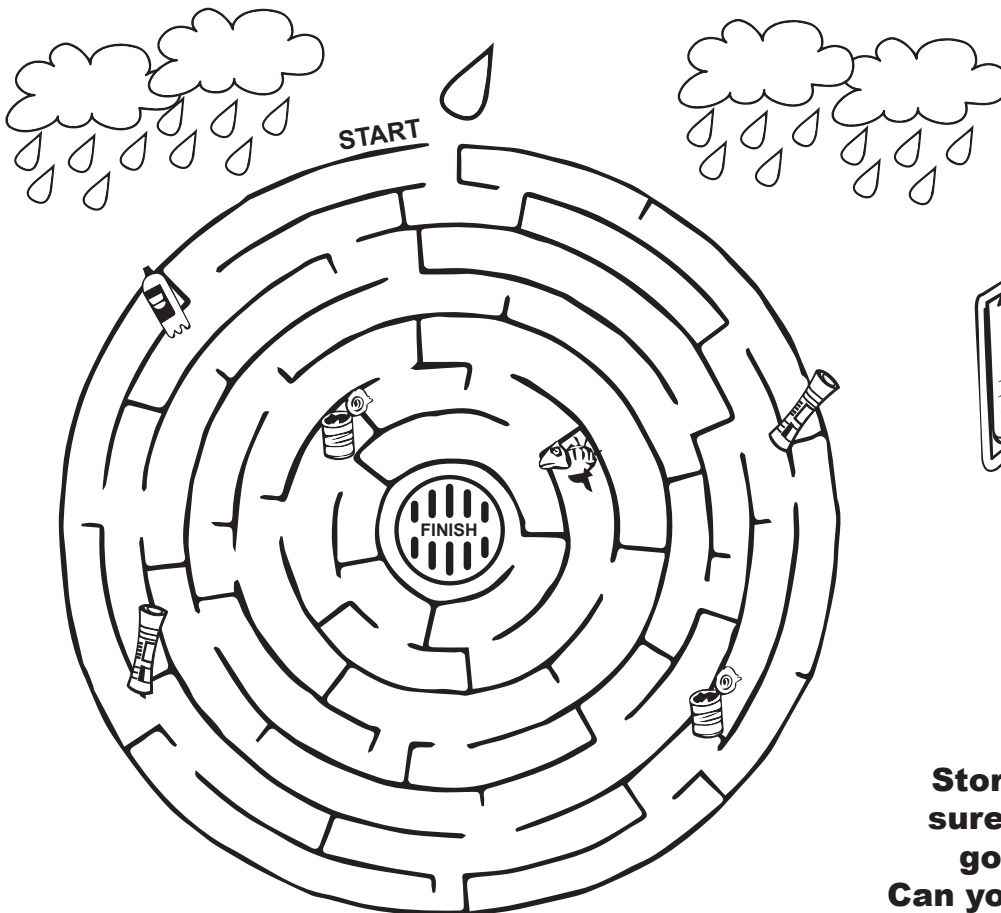
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- Fish**
- Grease**
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- Stream**
- Trash**
- Rain**
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- Watershed**
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Stormwater Sam is making sure only clean stormwater goes in the storm drain. Can you help the rain get there?

Stormwater Pollution

Facts and Ways to Prevent it

1. Only let rain go down the storm drain. When it rains, water hits the grass, roads, and sidewalks and becomes stormwater runoff. After rain goes into the storm drain, it flows to rivers and lakes and can pick up pollutants along the way. Pollutants are things like trash, oil that leaks from a car, or loose soil particles.
2. Plants and soil filter water and improve water quality.
3. Remember to pick up all your trash after a day at the lake or beach.
4. Sediment (mud, dirt, and soil) is the number one pollutant in North Carolina's water.
5. Trash, like plastic rings from sixpacks of soda, bags, food containers, cans, and other garbage that gets into the stormwater runoff, hurts fish, plants, and animals. Litter is unpleasant for people, too.
6. Clean up after your pet when they go to the bathroom. Too many nutrients in the water, caused by things like fertilizer and animal waste (poop), can create slimy, green algae that can kill fish and make the water smell bad.
7. 55% of North Carolina's citizens get their drinking water from a surface water source, such as a lake or river.
8. Use rainbarrels to collect the water from gutter downspouts before it becomes runoff and use it to water plants in your garden.

