



◀ July is a great time to swim in the ocean, but where does all that the water come from? Earth has a limited amount of water. The water continuously moves around and around in what we call the water **cycle**. The diagram on the left shows how the water cycle works.

Word	Part of Speech	Meaning	Word History	Other Forms
cycle	noun	a sequence of events that is repeated over and over again	cycle comes from the Greek <i>kyklos</i> , which means “circle, wheel, circular motion, or cycle of events”	<i>cyclical</i> , <i>cyclic</i> (adjective); <i>to cycle</i> (verb)

Draw a picture or graphic of the word.

Name other words that mean about the same thing.

**cycle**

Name other words that have the opposite meaning.

Think of something other than water that goes through a cycle. Write a sentence describing it.

**Figurative Language**

A **vicious cycle** is when one bad situation leads to another bad situation that makes the original situation even worse. *After Sofia lost her job, she couldn't make her car payment, so the bank took her car. Then she couldn't get to job interviews or pay her rent. She found herself stuck in a vicious cycle.*

