Cause and Effect

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

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The rest of the water goes up into the air. When the sun warms a puddle, the water slowly turns into a gas called water vapor. You cannot see water vapor, but it is in the air all around you. This change is called evaporation.

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   - It carries the water vapor away.
   - It pushes the water into the ground.

2. Why do puddles on a sidewalk last longer?
   - The sidewalk is always in the shade all day.
   - Water cannot soak through the hard sidewalk.
   - The sidewalk is colder than the air above it.

3. When might a puddle last until the next morning?
   - on a hot, sunny afternoon
   - on a warm, windy afternoon
   - on a cool, cloudy day

4. What happens after water vapor rises high into the sky?
   - It falls back into the puddle.
   - It cools and forms clouds.
   - It warms up and is gone forever.

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