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Sentence combining

Rewrite the following statements, combining the simples sentences to create complex and compound sentences. Add connectives as necessary. The finished result should be one or two paragraphs written in a much more elegant manner than the statements below. (**If you prefer to type the assignment instead of writing it by hand, feel free.**)

Water is a liquid. It is composed of oxygen and hydrogen. It covers about three-fourths of the surface of the earth. It takes the form of ice. It takes the form of snow. It takes the form of vapor. The air is constantly taking up water from rivers, lakes, oceans, and damp ground. Cool air contains moisture. Heated air contains more moisture. Heated air becomes lighter. It rises. It becomes cool. The moisture is condensed into fine particles. Clouds are formed. They float across the sky. The little particles unite and form raindrops. They sprinkle in the dry fields. At night the grass and flowers become cool. The air is not so cool. The warm air touches the grass and has many uses. People and animals drink it. Trees and plants drink it. They drink it by means of their leaves and roots. Water is a great purifier. It cleanses our bodies. It washes our clothes. It washes the dust from the leaves and the flowers. Water is a great worker. It floats vessels. It turns the wheels of mills. It is converted into steam. It is harnessed to might engines. It does the work of thousands of men and horses.

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