

Hail

Hail is frozen rain.

Hail is usually the size of a pea but sometimes it can be as big as a golf ball!



Hail can fall from the sky at any time of the year, not just during winter.

Sleet

Sleet is a mixture of snow and rain.

It is not light and fluffy like a snowflake.



Snow

Snow crystals form when water droplets in a cloud become very cold.

The snow crystals fall from the cloud forming snowflakes.

The air below must be freezing or the snowflake will melt and turn to rain.

