

Lesson Plan

Subject: Grade 4 Science

Lesson: We Have All the Time in the World

Standards Addressed:

- Explain the causes of day and night and phases of the moon (4.E.1)

Objectives:

- Students will be able to discuss the way Earth's rotation on its axis causes day and night. Students will also be able to diagram the monthly changes in the appearance of the moon, based on the moon's orbit around the Earth
- Students will know that the moon rotates and revolves around the Earth, and there are visible patterns of the moon called phases.

Materials Needed:

- Device for showing *We Have All the Time in the World* video
- "Faces of the Moon" Activities
- Colored pencils

Outline:

- Prior to this lesson students should understand:
 - The Sun and moon in relation to Earth
 - Pattern of day & night
 - Phases of the moon
- Before the video, have students look over the 2 activities and review some of what you have learned about the Earth, sun and the phases of the moon.
- Watch the video with students.
- After the video, students may complete the activity sheets individually.

Take It Further: Go to <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/its-about-time-to-make-a-sundial/>. Make and observe a sundial with the students. Note that the shadows grow, shrink and change direction, just at the shadows on the moon during phase changes.

Cross-Curriculum Connection: Below are links to two songs about the moon and its phases. Have the students listen to both and have the class vote on a tune to a popular song. Then work together to make lyrics about the phases of the moon to that tune. (Hey that rhymes!)

<https://youtu.be/ampmr29DeRY>

<https://youtu.be/79M2ISVZiY4>





“Faces” of the Moon

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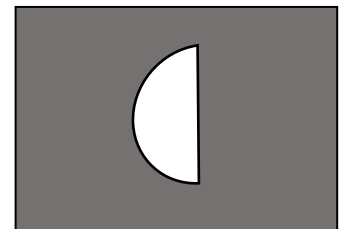
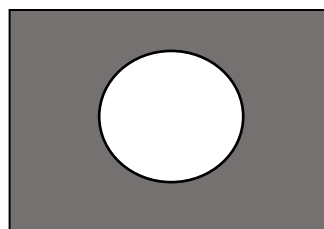
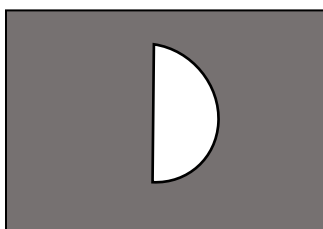
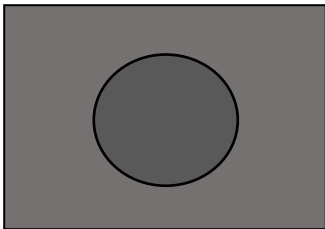
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Day 1

Day 7

Day 14

Day 21



Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the Word Box below.

Third Quarter

Waning

Full Moon

Waxing

First Quarter

New Moon

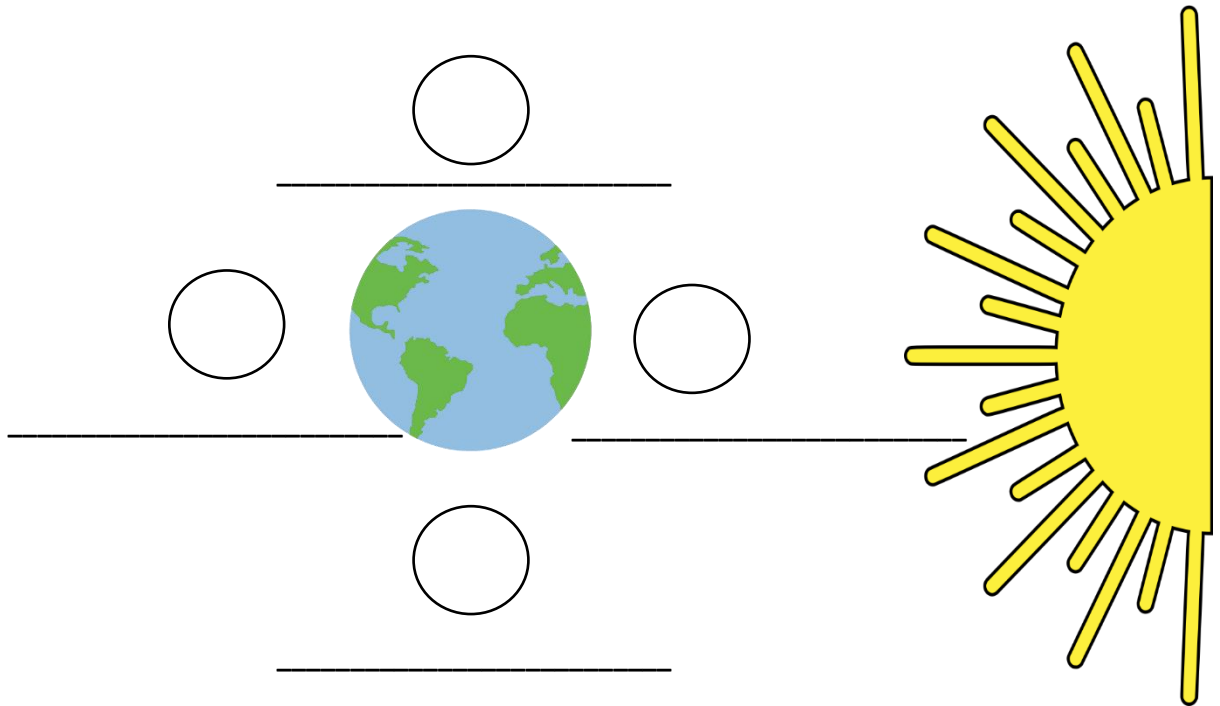
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Activity 2: Help Sister Lancaster determine the positions of the Earth, Sun, and Moon during different moon phases.

Label the moon phases on the picture below.



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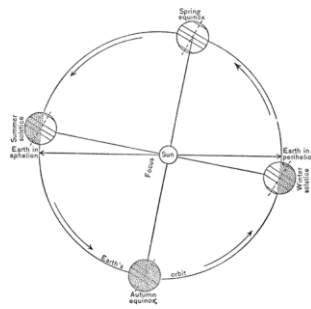
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- a. Earth
- b. The moon
- c. You
- d. The sun
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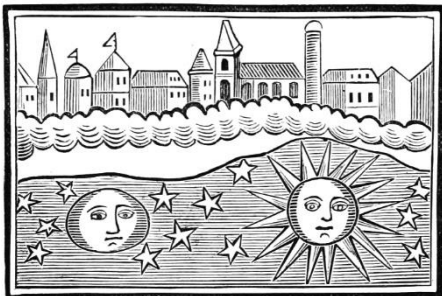


2. How long does it take the Earth to rotate once on its axis?

- a. One hour
- b. One season
- c. One year
- d. 24 hours
- e. 7 years

3. What would you find on the surface of the moon?

- a. Forests
- b. Craters
- c. Oceans
- d. Blue cheese
- e. Glaciers



4. How long does it take to Earth to orbit the sun?

- a. It does not orbit the sun
- b. One hour
- c. One day
- d. One year
- e. One season



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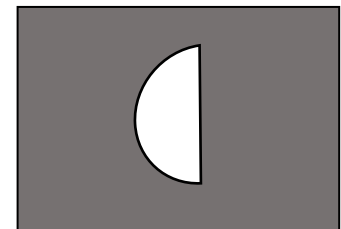
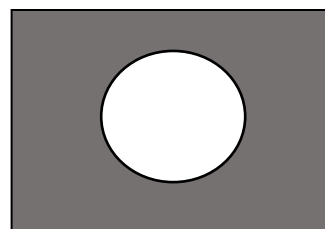
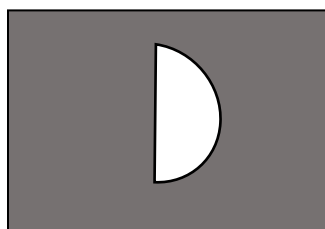
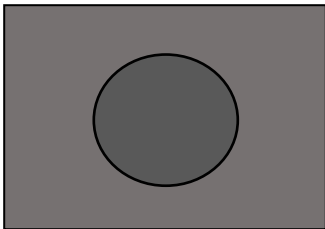
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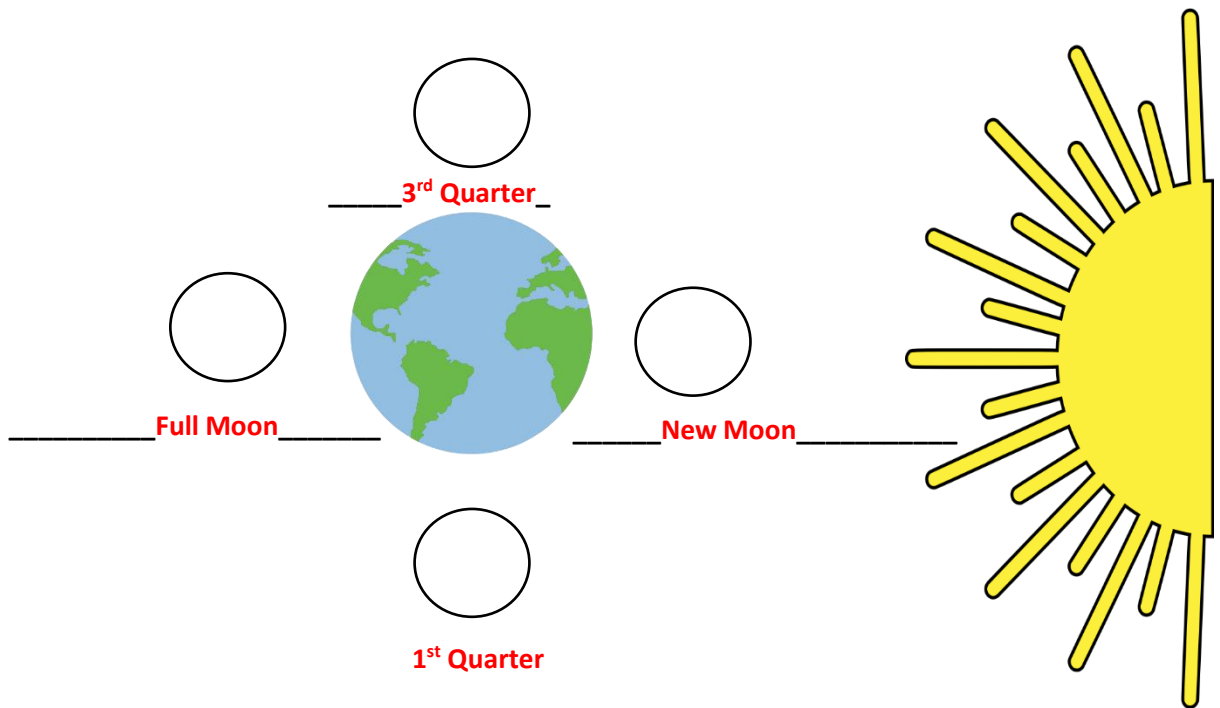
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_____ As the Earth turns on it's axis, the part that is turned away from the sun _____

_____ becomes dark (night) and the part facing the sun is light (day) _____

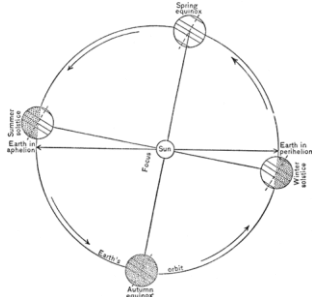
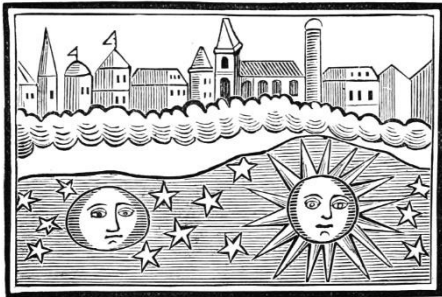
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