Modeling Moon Phases or Seasons (Rotation and Revolution) Project

Equinox March 21–22 Sun vertical at equator

Solstice June 21–22 Sun vertical at latitude 23¹/₂°N



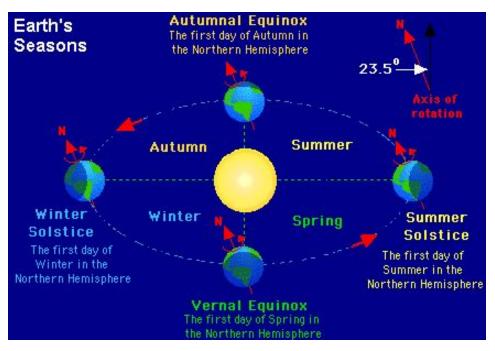
Solstice December 21–22 Sun vertical at latitude 231/2°S

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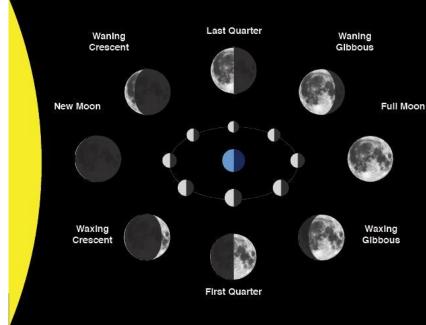
Equinox September 22–23 Sun vertical at equator

You Have a Choice

Create a Model of Seasons



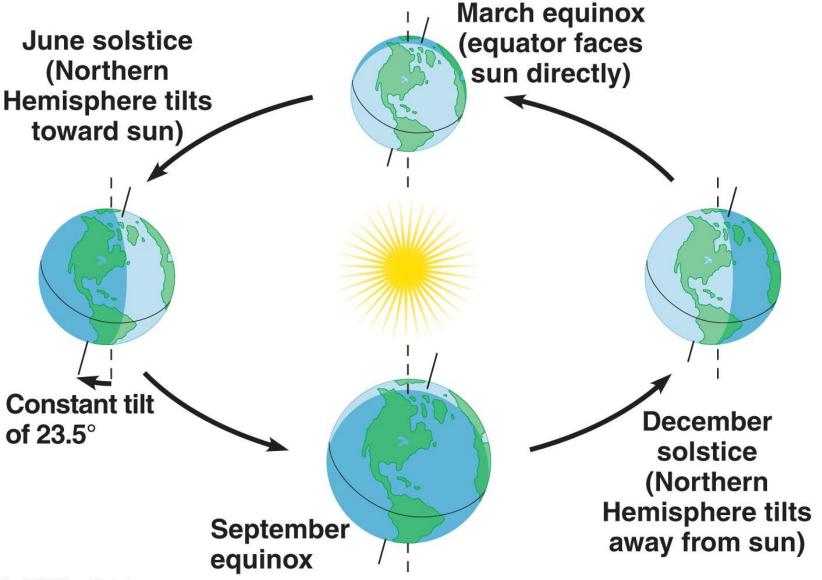
Create a Model of Moon Phases

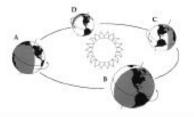


Your Mission:

Make a model of Earth and the Sun that Demonstrates the four seasons, rotation, and revolution. Make a model of the Moon, Earth, and the Sun that Demonstrates the Lunar Cycle.

Details for Seasons Model Project





Mission: Make a model of Earth and the Sun that demonstrates the four seasons, rotation, and revolution.

- 1. A model made of materials furnished by you that contains the Earth and the Sun.
- 2. The model should either move or have
- Earth in four different locations for each season. Each season is to be labeled in some manner.

3. The model must have arrows that show the

direction of Earth's rotation and revolution.

To complete your mission, include the

- following:
- There must be some representation of where solar rays are concentrated for each season.
 - 5. The equator, axis, and hemispheres of Earth must be labeled.
 - 6. Attach an index card to your project that in your own words explains why the Earth has seasons.
 - 7. The model must be free-standing. You can pick up and move parts, but it must stay
 - secure when you set down any parts.

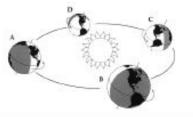
Mission Instructions:

- 1. Gather your items and lay out your model.
- 2. Put the entire model together.
- Make any labels or attach any other props that will be used in the model.

Materials:

- Will vary any items which can be used in the model. The items must not be perishable or have
- sharp edges
- You may use paper or index cards to use labels
- You can use string or yarn to represent the Sun's rays

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- 5. The equator, axis, and hemispheres of Earth must be labeled
- 6. **Attach an index card** to your project that in your own words explains why the Earth has seasons
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- 8. Your completed rubric must be attached to your project



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	6. Attach an index card to your project that in
	your own words explains why the Earth has
	seasons.
	7. The model must be free-standing. You can
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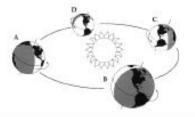
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Mission: Make a model of Earth and the Sun that demonstrates the four seasons, rotation, and revolution.

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	 The model should either move or have Earth in four different locations for each season. Each season is to be labeled in some manner.
To complete your mission, include the following:	 The model must have arrows that show the direction of Earth's rotation and revolution. There must be some representation of where solar rays are concentrated for each season. The equator, axis, and hemispheres of Earth must be labeled. Attach an index card to your project that in your own words explains why the Earth has seasons. The model must be free-standing. You can pick up and move parts, but it must stay

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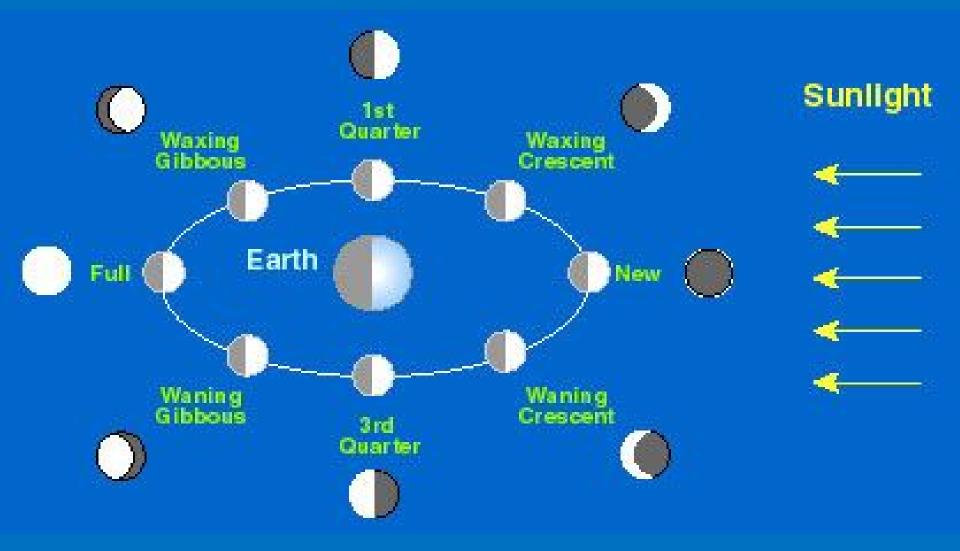
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Seasons Model Rubric

Criteria	Point Value	Earned
Project Turned In	50	
Model contains representations of the Earth and the Sun	4	
Earth in four different locations or moveable	4	
Direction of Earth's rotation is shown	5	
Direction of Earth's revolution is shown	5	
Representation of where solar rays are concentrated for each season is present	8	
The equator, axis, and hemispheres of Earth are labeled correctly	4	
Student has correctly explained why the Earth has seasons in their own words	10	
Model is neat and well-constructed and all components are easily identified	8	
Your name is on the model	2	
Total	100	

Details for Moon Phases Model Project



REPRESENTING MOON PHASES PROJECT

Mission: Make a model of the Moon, Earth and the Sun that demonstrates the lunar cycle.

- 1. A model made of materials furnished by you that contain; the Moon, Earth, and the Sun.
- 2. The model should either move or have the moon in eight different locations for each moon phase. Each moon phase is to be labeled in some manner.

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To complete 3. The model must have arrows that show

include the following:

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4. There must be some representation of what the moon looks like from space and what it looks like from Earth during each

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5. Attach an index card to your project that describes the lunar cycle in your own words.

6. The model must be free-standing. You can pick up and move parts, but it must

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- 5. Attach an **index card** to your project that describes the lunar cycle in your own words
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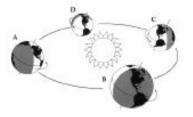
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	Representation of what the Moon looks like from Space	8
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	Student attached index card and has correctly described the lunar cycle in their own words	10
	Model is neat and well-constructed and all components are easily identified	8
	Name is on the model	1

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100

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Last Details

You may do this project by yourself or you may work with a partner.

Note: if you choose to work with a partner, make sure it is someone you can rely upon. No excuses & no complaints allowed. Project is due at beginning of class on Friday, September 16th, 2016. Any projects not turned in on time will receive a 10 point penalty.