

QUESTIONS:

- 1 Did the Moon look the same each day? If not, describe how it changed throughout the month.
- 2 Did you see the Moon at the same time each day? Was there a pattern to the time when you were able to observe it? If so, describe the pattern.
- 3 Did anything prevent you from being able to see the Moon this month? Could you still figure out what the Moon would have looked like if you could have seen it? If so, how?
- A solar eclipse is a rare opportunity to observe a new moon.
 Look up information on the phases of the Moon and indicate in your
 Moon Observation Journal where you think the Moon most closely matched each of the following phases:

Waxing Crescent, First Quarter, Waxing Gibbous, Full Moon, Waning Gibbous, Third Quarter, and Waning Crescent, as well as New Moon.

Moon Observation Journal: Eclipse Edition

Spend the next month getting to know the Moon, starting with the solar eclipse on April 8, 2024. The eclipse may be visible as a partial or total solar eclipse, depending on your location. (Check out NASA's eclipse path map to find out what to expect in your location, science.nasa.gov/eclipses.) Record your observations in the journal on the back of this page. Once you have completed your observations for the whole month, answer the questions below.

- 5 A solar eclipse occurs when the Sun, Moon, and Earth line up, with the Moon in between the Sun and Earth. This only happens during a new moon phase.
 A lunar eclipse occurs when the Sun, Earth, and Moon line up, with the Earth in between the Sun and Moon. During what phase of the Moon could you see a lunar eclipse?
- 6 The next opportunity to see a total eclipse from North America is a total lunar eclipse on March 14, 2025. What time should you go out to look at the Moon if you'd like to see it?
- 7 What questions do you have about the Moon or eclipses? See if you can find answers and share what you learn with your friends and family. Some places you can find information about the Moon and eclipses:
 - a. science.nasa.gov/moon
 - b. science.nasa.gov/eclipses
 - c. science.nasa.gov/skywatching

Keep observing and learning about the Moon with NASA, and people all around the world, on the next International Observe the Moon Night (September 14, 2024). Learn more at moon.nasa.gov/observe.



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DIRECTIONS: Observe the Moon each day for a month, starting with the solar eclipse on April 8, 2024. Write down the time when you make each observation, and draw what you see. If you cannot see the Moon at all, no matter when you look, indicate this in your journal. On April 8, make your observation during the solar eclipse and include both the Moon and Sun in your journal entry. Always use proper eye protection to observe a solar eclipse. Find out what time you can see the eclipse from your location, and how to observe it safely, on science.nasa.gov/eclipses/safety.

Date: 4.9.2024 Date: 4.10.2024 Date:4.11.2024 Date: 4.12.2024 Date: 4.13.2024 Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: **Total Solar Eclipse** Date: 4.8.2024 Time: Date:4.14.2024 Date: 4.15.2024 Date: 4.16.2024 Date: 4.17.2024 Date: 4.18.2024 Date: 4.19.2024 Date: 4.20.2024 Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Date: 4.21.2024 Date: 4.22.2024 Date: 4.23.2024 Date: 4.24.2024 Date: 4.25.2024 Date: 4.26.2024 Date: 4.27.2024 Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Date: 4.28.2024 Date: 4.29.2024 Date: 4.30.2024 Date: 5.1.2024 Date: 5.2.2024 Date: 5.3.2024 Date: 5.4.2024 Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Time: Time:

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