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Day and Night

Circle group

The sun is up in the day. The sky is bright.

At night the sky is dark. We see the moon and stars.

Earth turns all the time. Our side turns to the sun. It is day. Our side turns from the sun. It is night.

Questions

1. When is the sun up?

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2. What do we see at night?

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3. What does Earth do all the time?

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4. Is the sky bright or dark at night?

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5. Why is it night?

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Words to know

sun: the big, bright star that gives Earth light and heat
Earth: the planet where we live
stars: tiny bright lights you can see in the night sky
turns: goes around, like a wheel

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Day and Night

Triangle group

The sun is up in the day. The sky is bright.

At night the sky is dark. We see the moon and the stars.

Earth turns. It turns all the time. Our side turns toward the sun for day. Our side turns away from the sun for night.

Questions

1. When is the sun up in the sky?

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2. What do we see in the sky at night?

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3. What does the Earth do all the time?

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4. Is the sky bright or dark at night?

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5. Why is it dark at night?

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Words to know

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Day and Night

Square group

During the day, the sun is up high, and the sky is bright.

At night, the sky becomes dark. Then we can see the moon and the twinkling stars.

The Earth is always turning. When our side of the Earth turns toward the sun, it is daytime. When our side turns away from the sun, it is nighttime.

Questions

1. When is the sun up high in the sky?

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2. What can we see in the sky at night?

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3. What is the Earth always doing?

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4. What happens to the sky at night?

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5. Why does the sky become dark at night?

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Words to know

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For the teacher: Day and Night

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: Day and Night

Easier · 46 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.8

1. In the day.
2. The moon and the stars.
3. It turns.
4. Dark.
5. Our side of Earth has turned from the sun.

Triangle: Day and Night

This passage · 48 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1

1. In the day.
2. The moon and the stars.
3. It turns.
4. Dark.
5. Our side of the Earth has turned away from the sun.

Square: Day and Night

Harder · 58 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.8

1. During the day.
2. The moon and the stars.
3. Turning.
4. It becomes dark.
5. Our side of the Earth has turned away from the sun.