Name: _____ Date: _____

When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

Circle group

The Earth is round. It spins slowly. The sun lights one side at a time.

The side that faces the sun has day. The side that turns away has night.

When you go to bed, kids on the other side are awake. They eat lunch in the sun!

Questions

1. What shape is the Earth?

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2. What does the Earth do slowly?

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3. Which side has day?

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4. Which side has night?

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5. Why are some kids awake when you go to bed?

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Words to know

Earth: the planet where we live
spins: turns around and around
faces: looks toward
side: one part of a thing

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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When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

Triangle group

The Earth is round, and it spins slowly. The sun can only light one side at a time.

The side that faces the sun has day. The side that turns away from the sun has night.

So when you go to bed, kids on the other side of the Earth are awake. They are eating lunch in the sun!

Questions

1. What shape is the Earth?

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2. What does the Earth do slowly?

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3. Which side of the Earth has day?

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4. Which side has night?

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5. Why are some kids awake when you go to bed?

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When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

Square group

The Earth is a round planet, and it spins slowly all the time. Because of that, the sun can light only one side of it at a time.

The side that faces the sun has daytime. The side that has turned away from the sun has nighttime.

So when you climb into bed at night, children on the far side of the Earth are wide awake. They might be eating lunch in the bright sunshine!

Questions

1. What shape is the Earth?

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2. What does the Earth do slowly all the time?

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3. Which side of the Earth has daytime?

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4. Which side of the Earth has nighttime?

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5. Why are children on the far side awake when you go to bed?

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For the teacher: When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

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

Circle: When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

Easier · 48 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.1

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2. It spins.
3. The side that faces the sun.
4. The side that turns away from the sun.
5. It is day on the other side of the Earth.

Triangle: When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

This passage · 59 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.5

1. Round.
2. It spins.
3. The side that faces the sun.
4. The side that turns away from the sun.
5. It is day on the other side of the Earth.

Square: When It Is Night Here, It Is Day There

Harder · 75 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.1

1. Round.
2. It spins.
3. The side that faces the sun.
4. The side that has turned away from the sun.
5. It is daytime on the far side of the Earth.