

The Moon and its Phases

5E Lesson

The 5E model is a scientifically proven method to improve student engagement and learning in your classroom

- ✓ Engagement
- ✓ Exploration
- ✓ Explanation
- ✓ Elaborate
- ✓ Evaluate



Complete Teacher Instructions

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Grades 7-10	The Moon and its Phases
Essential Questions:	
Ongoing Lesson (5-6 hours)	
Lesson Objective:	
- Students will develop a model of the Earth-Sun-Moon system to describe cyclic patterns of lunar phases - Students will learn the importance of having a moon - Students will learn how the Moon rotates and revolves - Students will learn about how the Moon-Sun system affects Earth's tides	
Possible Student Misconceptions:	
- The "Dark Side" of the Moon - The Moon illusion - The cause of the Moon's phases	
Materials:	
1 device (smartphone, chromebook, laptop, tablet, or computer) per 3 students - A means of projecting a PowerPoint presentation - Internet access	
Teacher Notes:	
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Engagement Phase	Duration 20-30 min.
Is the Moon Important? Have your students complete the thinking questions in – <i>Engagement – Is the Moon Important?</i> Teacher Note: We will revisit the questions inside the PowerPoint. That's a great time to discuss how their views have changed.	Teacher Role – Facilitate learning and guide student understanding
Moon Illusion Review the examples from the file – <i>Engagement – The Moon Illusion</i> Teacher Note: Make sure you have your students answer the question on page 1 before you review any of the examples.	Goals - Connect student's experiences - Create interest - Ask questions - Understand the objectives of the lesson
Exploration Phase	Duration: 55-60 min.
The Moon and its Phases Lab Station Activity - In groups of 2-3, have your students complete <i>Exploration – The Moon and its Phases – Lab Station Activity</i>. Once they're done, they will submit their passport to you. Teacher Notes: - The complete instructions for my Lab Station activity can be found in the <i>START HERE – Instructions</i> file.	Teacher Role – Facilitate learning and guide student understanding
	Goals - Students receive real experience with the topic - Students use and develop creative thinking skills - Students make observations, record results, and make connections
Explanation Phase	Duration: 2-2.5 hours
The Moon Lesson - Over the course of 1 - 2 days, go through the <i>Explanation – The Moon Lesson</i>. There are many opportunities to engage your students and show how the content is relevant to their lives. - The lesson covers the following topics: ✓ Moon Stats ✓ What if we had no Moon? ✓ Orbit of the Moon ✓ Rotation of the Moon ✓ The Dark Side of the Moon ✓ The Phases of the Moon ✓ The Tides	Teacher Role – Explain the concepts by presenting the material found in the presentation.

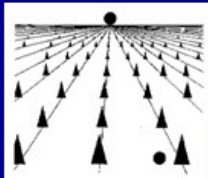
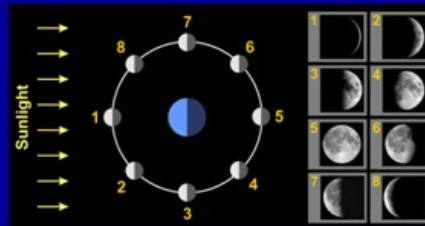
Teacher Notes: - No prior knowledge is required for this lesson - All videos can be accessed directly from the PowerPoint. To retrieve them, click on the video icon while in slideshow mode and it will automatically open for you. If they don't open, right-click the image and select Edit Hyperlink or something similar. - I've created a video walkthrough if needed. It can be accessed here - https://youtu.be/oCkIP9SaDQ - I have also enclosed a .PDF version of both the teacher and student versions	Goals - Students develop understanding of the content - Observations and experiences are discussed and critiqued - Students develop vocabulary - Students are able to connect the content presented to previous experiences
Elaborate Phase	Duration: 1 hour
The Moon Scavenger Hunt Activity The scavenger hunt activity will require your students to move beyond what was covered directly in the lesson and allow them to demonstrate how Atoms and the Atomic Theory can be applied to the real world. Students will work in groups of two or three and will require a single device (smartphone, tablet, chromebook, laptop, etc.). The Hunt can be accessed from the folder - <i>Elaborate – The Moon Scavenger Hunt Activity</i>	Teacher Role – Facilitate learning and keep students focused
	Goal Students use their newly obtained knowledge to propose solutions and extend their learning to new situations
Evaluate Phase	Duration: 20-40 min.
The Moon quiz Have your students complete the <i>Evaluate – The Moon – Quiz</i> Teacher Notes: - It's sometimes best to have the students peer evaluate - Placing students in small groups and having them exchange papers to mark will accomplish two things 1) Provide immediate feedback on the quiz they just completed 2) Significantly reduce your marking time - Peer evaluation is not needed, only suggested when appropriate	Teacher Role – Distribute and collect evaluation
	Goal Students are given the opportunity to demonstrate their understanding and evaluate their own progress

Each phase is clearly described

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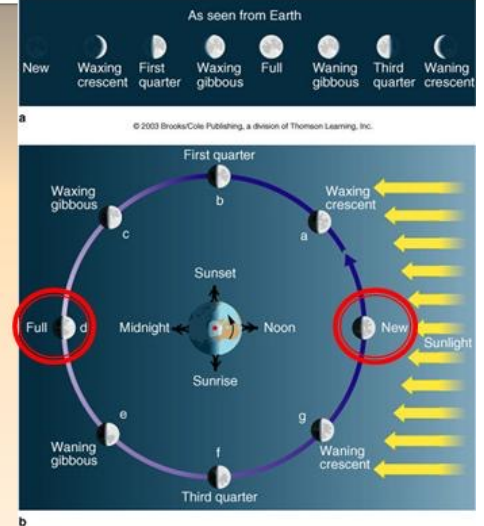
The Moon

- Minds-on Inquiry
- Moon Stats
- What if we had no Moon?
- Orbit of the Moon
- Rotation of the Moon
- The Dark Side of the Moon
- The Phases of the Moon
- The Tides
- The Moon Illusion



The Phases of the Moon

- We can only see the part of the Moon which has been lit up by the Sun.
- At New Moon, the part lit by the Sun is facing away from us
- At Full Moon, the part lit by the Sun is facing towards us



What causes The Phases of the Moon

- A common misconception is that the phases of the Moon are caused by the shadow of the Earth. They are not.
- The phases of the Moon are the result of changing viewing angles throughout the month.



The phases of the Moon



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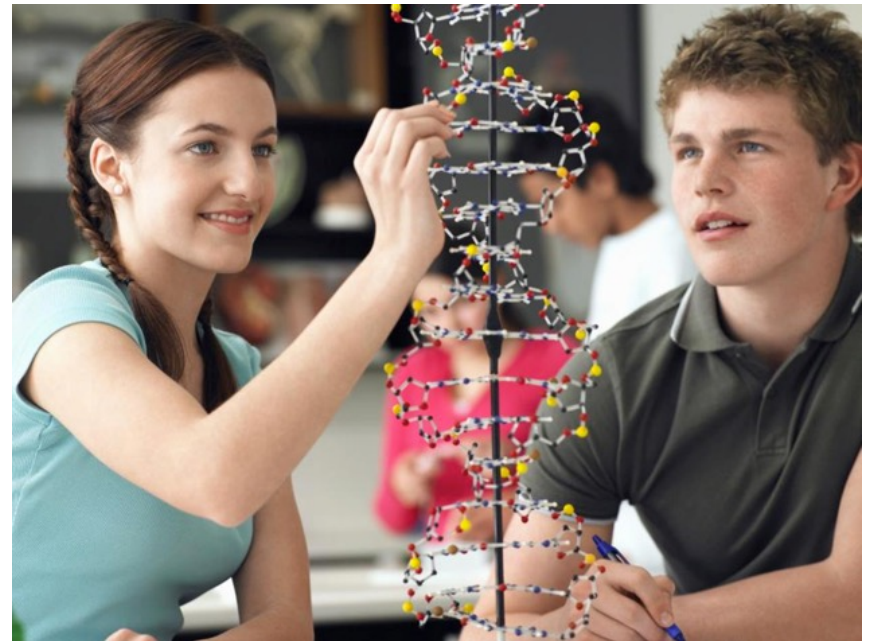
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