

**YEAR 7 SCIENCE**  
**EARTH & SPACE SCIENCES (MODIFIED)**  
**TEST 1 - THE EARTH AND MOON**

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**Achievement standards being tested**

Predictable phenomena on Earth, including seasons and eclipses, are caused by the relative positions of the Sun, Earth and the Moon.

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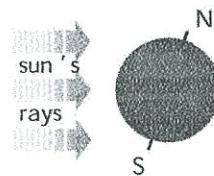
**Multiple Choice** Write the answer to each question in the appropriate box at right.

1. The main cause of day and night is:

- A rotation of the Earth.
- B revolution of the Earth.
- C orbit of the Earth.
- D the tilt of the Earth on its axis.

2. The diagram below relates to which season in Australia?

- A Winter
- B Spring
- C Summer
- D Autumn



3. The moon, stars, planets and the sun all rise in the:

- A west.
- B north.
- C south.
- D east.

4. The different shapes of the moon as seen from Earth are called:

- A stages.
- B phases.
- C fractions.
- D crescents.

5. The time taken for the Moon to orbit the Earth once is closest to:

- A 24 hours.
- B 14 days.
- C 27 days.
- D 365 days.

QUESTION	ANSWER
1	A
2	C
3	D
4	B
5	C
6	C
7	C

6. Which of these has the greatest effect on the tides on Earth?

- A Mars
- B Venus
- C The Moon
- D The Sun

7. In which months does Australia have winter?

- A December, January, February.
- B March, April, May.
- C June, July, August.
- D September, October, November.

**Short Answer**

Write the answer to the questions in the spaces provided.

1. Complete the following sentences using the following words.

orbiting, rotation, tides, Moon, tilted,  $23.5^\circ$ , Northern, Southern, gravitational, Hemispheres, spinning, orbit, equator, leap.

- (a) Sunrise and sunset are caused by the Earth's rotation.
- (b) The Earth takes 1 year to orbit the sun once. The orbit is actually 365.24 days in length, which is why most years have 365 days and a leap year has 366 days.
- (c) The gravitational pull from the moon causes tides.
- (d) A solar eclipse is caused when light from the sun is blocked by the Moon.
- (e) The seasons are caused by the Earth orbiting the Sun and being tilted at an angle of approximately  $23.5^\circ$ .
- (f) Day and night are caused by the Earth spinning on its axis.
- (g) The top and bottom halves of the Earth are called the Northern and Southern Hemisphere.
- (h) The imaginary line around the middle of the Earth is called the equator.
- (i) The gravitational pull of the moon is one-sixth that of the Earth.

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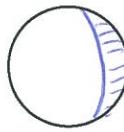
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2. Sketch the shape of:

(a) a crescent moon

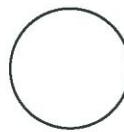


(b) a gibbous moon



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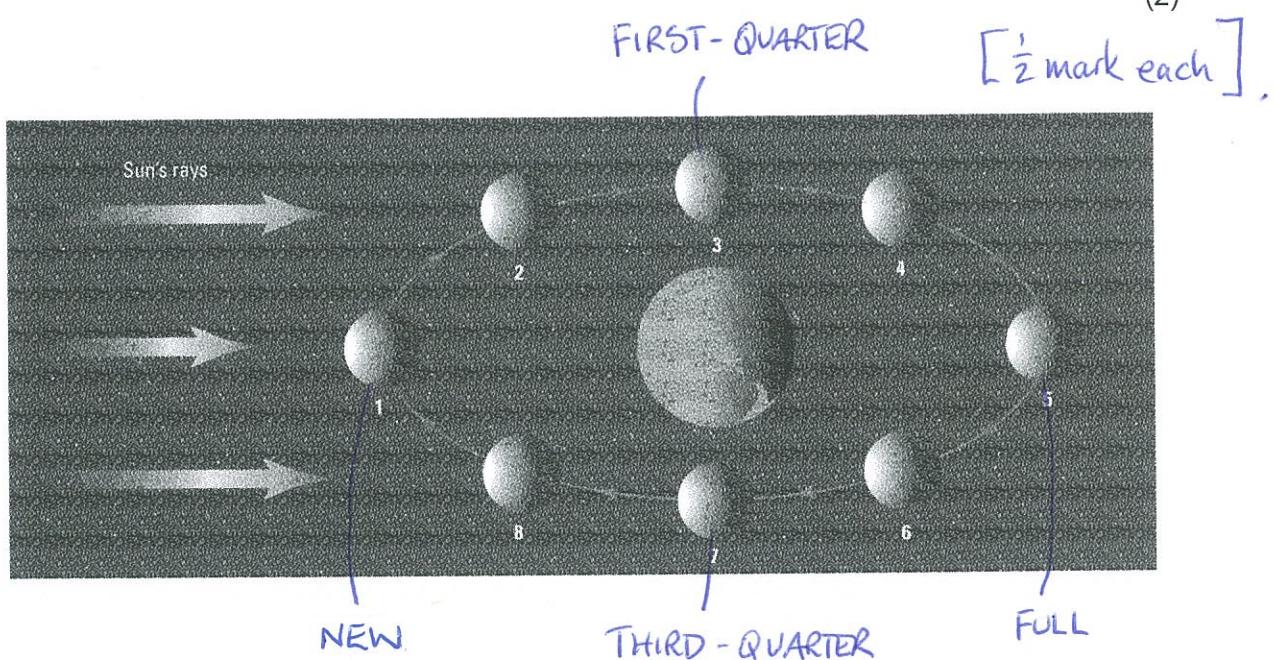
(c) a full moon.



(3)

3. On the diagram below, label where a **full moon**, **new moon**, **the first-quarter and third-quarter moons** occur.

(2)



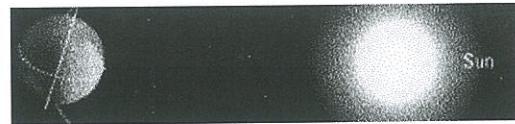
4. Identify which of the pictures below represents **summer** in Australia and which represents **winter**.



A

Summer

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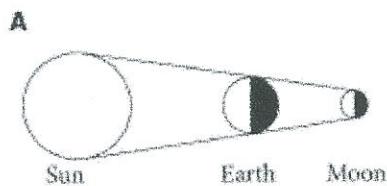
B

Winter

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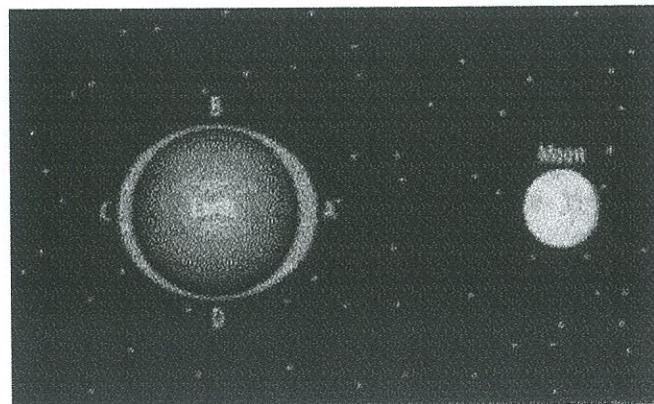
(1)

5. Look at the diagram below.



- (a) Is this a **lunar eclipse** or a **solar eclipse**? Lunar (1)
- (b) Explain why you chose this answer.  
• Moon has moved into Earth's shadow. (1)
- (1)

6. In the diagram below, show whether points A, B, C and D are examples of **high tide** or **low tide**.



- A: High      B: Low
- C: High      D: Low (2)

[ $\frac{1}{2}$  mark each]