# Queenee

North: Ursa Major (The Great Bear)







# **Description:**

Ursa Major is one of the most recognizable constellations in the northern sky. It resembles a bear, with its distinctive shape known as the Big Dipper, consisting of seven bright stars forming a ladle or dipper shape. In May, it is visible in the northern part of the sky, moving counterclockwise around the North Star, Polaris.

# **Superstitious Belief:**

In some cultures, Ursa Major is associated with various legends and myths, often representing a bear being chased by hunters. Some superstitions suggest that sighting Ursa Major brings good luck or signifies an impending change in fortune.

# **Scientific Explanation:**

Ursa Major is a constellation composed of stars at varying distances from Earth. Its appearance and movement across the sky are due to the Earth's rotation. There is no scientific basis for its influence on luck or fortune.

South: Crux (The Southern Cross)





# **Description:**

Crux is a distinctive constellation visible in the southern hemisphere, shaped like a cross. It is composed of five bright stars, with four forming the cross shape and one positioned slightly apart. In May, Crux is prominent in the southern sky for observers in the Philippines.

## **Superstitious Belief:**

In some cultures, the Southern Cross holds significance as a navigational aid for sailors and travelers. It is sometimes associated with protection during journeys or as a symbol of guidance and hope.

# **Scientific Explanation:**

Crux, like all constellations, is a formation of stars viewed from Earth. Its position and orientation change throughout the night and across seasons due to the Earth's rotation and orbit. While historically used for navigation, its appearance does not hold any inherent mystical power.

Detailed Approach: (Scroll ka pa queenee kung usto mo basic)

# **Differentiating North and South Polar Constellations:**

You can differentiate between north and south polar constellations by their position relative to the celestial poles. North polar constellations, like Ursa Major, are visible in the northern hemisphere and appear to rotate around the North Star. South polar constellations, like Crux, are visible in the southern hemisphere and revolve around the South Celestial Pole.

#### **Reason for Different Views:**

People living in the northern and southern hemispheres see constellations differently due to their respective positions on Earth's surface. The Earth's axial tilt causes the celestial sphere, the apparent dome of the sky, to appear differently from different latitudes. As a result, stars and constellations visible in the northern hemisphere may not be visible or may appear differently from the southern hemisphere and vice versa.

# **Basic Approach**

# **Differentiating North and South Polar Constellations:**

You can know if a constellation is from the north or south by where you see it in the sky. North polar ones, like Ursa Major, you see if you're in the north part of the world. They seem to go around the North Star. South polar ones, like Crux, you see if you're in the south part of the world. They go around the South Celestial Pole.

#### **Reason for Different Views:**

People who live in the north and south see the sky differently because of where they are on Earth. Our planet is tilted, so the sky looks different depending on where you are. That's why stars and constellations you see in the north might not be seen in the south, and the other way around.

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## **Interview Responses:**

#### 1. Belief in Stars:

- Person 1: "I believe that the alignment of stars at the time of my birth influences my personality and destiny."
- Person 2: "I follow astrology and believe that the positions of celestial bodies can predict future events."
- Person 3: "Stars are omens for me. Seeing certain constellations or shooting stars can foretell good or bad luck."
- Person 4: "I don't really believe in superstitions related to stars, but I find astronomy fascinating."
- Person 5: "I don't believe in any supernatural influence of stars. They're just balls of gas in space."

## 2. Knowledge of Stars:

- Person 1: "I know a bit about astrology and how it's supposed to influence people's lives."
- Person 2: "I'm quite knowledgeable about astrology and the zodiac signs."
- Person 3: "I don't know much about the stars scientifically, but I know some constellations and their stories."
- Person 4: "I'm interested in astronomy, so I know a fair amount about stars, galaxies, and the universe."
- Person 5: "I have a basic understanding of astronomy but nothing too indepth."

**Answers:** (Detailed approach toh queenee. Scroll ka pa kung gusto mo mas basic)

- 1.) Beliefs and practices related to stars vary among individuals. Some believe in astrology, which is influential in shaping personality and destiny, often consulting birth charts for guidance. Others closely follow astrology, using celestial positions to predict future events or make life decisions. There are those who view stars as omens, indicating luck or foretelling events, possibly incorporating rituals or superstitions into daily life. Some appreciate astronomy for its wonder and knowledge about the universe, engaging in stargazing, or learning about constellations. And then, there are those who dismiss supernatural beliefs about stars entirely, focusing solely on scientific understanding.
- 2.) Beliefs about stars have varying impacts on individuals' lives. For some, astrology guides decision-making, relationships, and self-perception, shaping major life choices based on astrological interpretations. Others plan life events or make important decisions based on astrological forecasts, trusting the stars' influence. Some superstitions regarding stars might lead to cautious behavior or specific actions to attract good luck or avoid misfortune. Interest in astronomy enriches lives with wonder and knowledge about the universe, while logical individuals don't rely on unfounded beliefs about stars, allowing for a more grounded perspective.

3.) For those who believe in astrology, I would offer insights into the lack of scientific evidence supporting its claims, encouraging critical thinking about the mechanisms through which stars might influence personality or destiny. Individuals relying on astrological predictions might benefit from discussions on the limitations of such forecasts compared to scientific methods. Those who see stars as omens could be guided toward understanding statistical probabilities and cognitive biases, challenging notions of luck tied to celestial alignments. Those interested in astronomy might appreciate discussions on the scientific method and the beauty of the universe revealed through scientific exploration. Ultimately, the goal would be to foster critical thinking and an appreciation for evidence-based reasoning.

## (BASIC)

- 1. Some people think stars influence their lives, like their personality and future. They check things like birth charts for guidance. Others use stars to predict what might happen in the future or make big decisions. Some believe stars can bring them good or bad luck and do things to make sure they get good luck. Some think stars are excellent and like learning about them. Then, there are those who don't believe stars can do anything special and only trust what science tells them.
- 2. For some, believing in stars changes how they make choices, see themselves, and even how they plan their lives. They might base big decisions on what the stars say. Others might feel lucky or unlucky depending on what they think the stars are saying. Some might even do special things to make sure they have good luck. But for those who just like stars for fun or who don't believe in special powers, it's more about enjoying the beauty of the night sky and learning cool facts about space.
- 3. I could explain that even though stars are amazing, they don't have special powers to change our lives. For those who believe in astrology, I could talk about how there's no real proof that stars decide our personalities or futures. For people who use stars to predict things, I could show that sometimes predictions don't come true, and it's just luck if they do. If someone thinks stars bring luck, I could explain that luck is more about what we do and how we feel, not what stars are doing. And for those who love learning about stars but don't believe in magic, I could share how science helps us understand the real wonders of the universe.