# **Solar System**

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# **Unit Overview**

# **Essential Questions**

What are the sun, moon, and planets like?

What is the sun?

What are the moon and stars?

#### Content

The sun is the closest star to Earth.

A star is a ball of burning gases that gives off light and heat.

The moon is made of rock and is round like Earth, but much smaller.

#### Skills

Explain that the sun is a star that gives off light and heat, and that Earth's daily rotation makes the sun appear to be moving across the sky.

Explain what stars are and describe the moon.

### Assessments

Identify the sun, moon, stars, and Earth, as well as recognize that these objects are part of the solar system.

Study Guide

Chapter Review

Chapter Test

STEM Activity Book

# Lessons/Learning Scenarios

Chapter 6: Chapter Opener, Lesson 1, Lesson 2

Inquiry Lesson pg. 206-207: How does the sun's movement cause shadows to change?

Vocabulary

Study Guide

Chapter Review

# Standards

SCI.K-2.5.4.2.A.1	Determine a set of general rules describing when the Sun and Moon are visible based on actual sky observations.
SCI.K-2.5.4.2.A.a	The Sun is a star that can only be seen during the day. The Moon is not a star and can be seen sometimes at night and sometimes during the day. The Moon appears to have different shapes on different days.

#### Resources