



Coherence and Alignment Among Science Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment (CASCIA) Project

Grade 5 Unit 4: Earth and its Gravitational Force and Motion

Task 3 Prompt 3 Scored and Annotated Anchor Set

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CASCIA Grade 5 EOU Assessment 4 Task 3: Turn, Turn, Turn

Prompt 3 Score Point 2

Prompt 3 Rubric

Prompt	Score Point 0	Score Point 1	Score Point 2	Score Point 3	Score Point 4
Prompt 3	No aspect of the response is correct	Response includes one (1) of the two (2) aspects	Response includes the following aspects: • Statement of the arrangement of the sun, Earth, and moon during a lunar eclipse • Explains how the curved shape of Earth's shadow on the moon is evidence the Earth is a sphere	NA	NA

Score Point 2 (2/2 aspects met)

- Describes the arrangement of the sun, Earth, and moon during a lunar eclipse.
- Explains how the curved shape of Earth's shadow (i.e., "round shadow") is evidence that the Earth is a sphere.

Prompt 3

Earth's gravity pulls all of Earth's mass toward its center. So, due to gravity, Earth maintains its spherical shape.

How can a lunar eclipse provide evidence that Earth is shaped like a sphere?

A lunar eclipse proves the earth is a sphere because the earth is in between the sun and moon. This causes a round shadow to be made. A lunar eclipse can also prove the sun and moon are round too.

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Prompt 3 Score Point 1

Prompt 3 Rubric

Prompt	Score Point 0	Score Point 1	Score Point 2	Score Point 3	Score Point 4
Prompt 3	No aspect of the response is correct	Response includes one (1) of the two (2) aspects	Response includes the following aspects: - Statement of the arrangement of the sun, Earth, and moon during a lunar eclipse - Explains how the curved shape of Earth's shadow on the moon is evidence the Earth is a sphere	NA	NA

Score Point 1 (1/2 aspects met)

- Does **NOT** describe the arrangement of the sun, Earth, and moon during a lunar eclipse.
- Explains how the curved shape of Earth's shadow (i.e., "sphere shape" shadow) is evidence that the Earth is a sphere.

Prompt 3

Earth's gravity pulls all of Earth's mass toward its center. So, due to gravity, Earth maintains its spherical shape.

How can a lunar eclipse provide evidence that Earth is shaped like a sphere?

When there is a lunar eclipse, we know that the Earth is a sphere because we see the shadow of the earth on the moon and it is a sphere shape.

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Prompt 3 Score Point 0

Prompt 3 Rubric

Prompt	Score Point 0	Score Point 1	Score Point 2	Score Point 3	Score Point 4
Prompt 3	No aspect of the response is correct	Response includes one (1) of the two (2) aspects	Response includes the following aspects: • Statement of the arrangement of the sun, Earth, and moon during a lunar eclipse • Explains how the curved shape of Earth's shadow on the moon is evidence the Earth is a sphere	NA	NA

Score Point 0 (0/2 aspects met)

- Does **NOT** describe the arrangement of the sun, Earth, and moon during a lunar eclipse.
- Does **NOT** explain how the curved shape of Earth's shadow is evidence that the Earth is a sphere.

Prompt 3

Earth's gravity pulls all of Earth's mass toward its center. So, due to gravity, Earth maintains its spherical shape.

How can a lunar eclipse provide evidence that Earth is shaped like a sphere?

Because the seasons change throughout the year and the earth moves toward the sun which changes seasons.