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Background knowledge

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Science activity

In this picture, it is evening and a boy and girl are looking at the Moon. Draw where you think they may see the Moon later that night.



Science investigation

! Take extra care - ask an adult to supervise you.

What are some of the features of the Moon?
Does the Moon change shape in the evening sky? Explain. Is there a man on the Moon?



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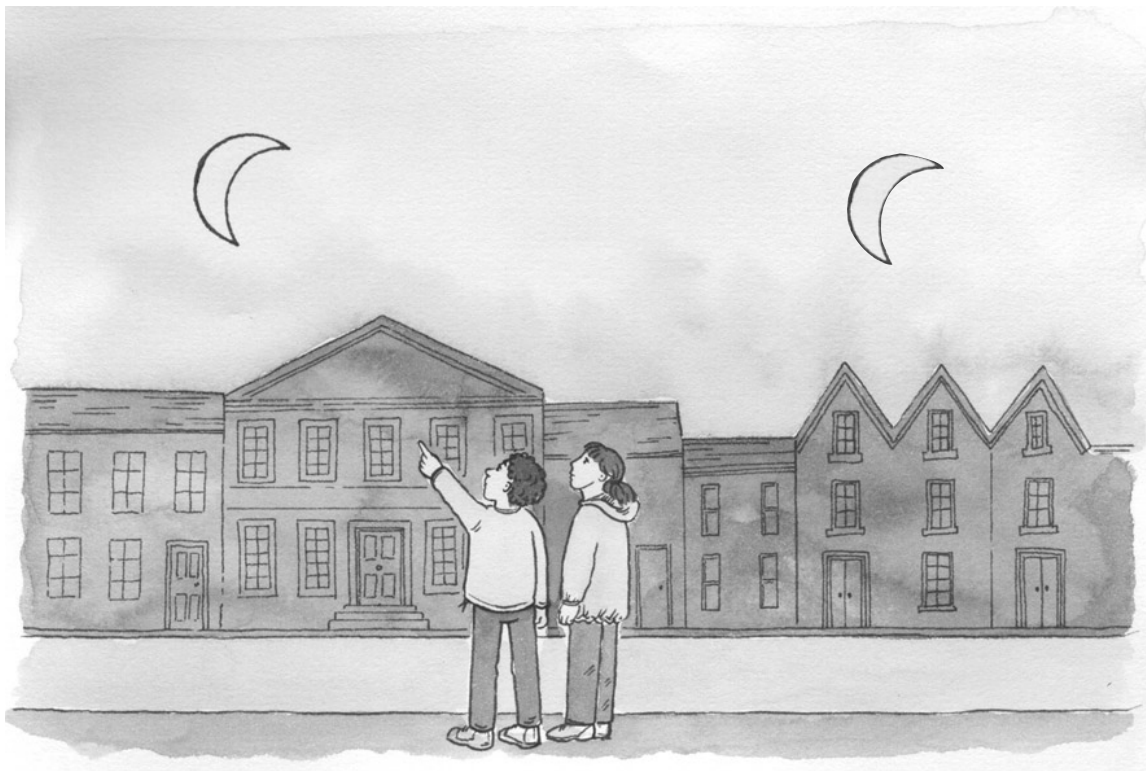


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❗ The child learns that the Moon makes one complete rotation on its axis during each orbit around Earth. The Moon does not produce its own light. It reflects light from the Sun. The Moon changes shape in the evening sky during a month.

