

## SfS Away from the Classroom!

## ES07: Celestial Mechanics (Recommended for Grades 3-5)

Please use the following resources to learn about our moon and its phases.

Watch this Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NCweccNOaqo

## **Answer these questions:**

- How much of the moon is always lit up by the sun?
- How long does it take for the moon to orbit the earth?
- Name the 8 phases of the moon.

**Activities:** Go to this link and find the moon phase on the day you were born: <a href="http://www.briancasey.org/artifacts/astro/moon.cgi">http://www.briancasey.org/artifacts/astro/moon.cgi</a>

Draw the moon phase below and name the phase the moon was in. Use the same link to find the moon phase on another special day. For a challenge, find one date of a full moon using this tool.

Date	Drawing of the moon phase	Name of the moon phase
Your birthday:		
Another day:		
Full moon:		Full Moon



## Make observations & use Claims, Evidence, and Reasoning!

1. **Claim**: The moon goes through 8 phases each month.

• Evidence:

Reasoning:
<ul> <li>Claim: A new moon is when the moon is closest to the sun in its orbit around the earth.</li> <li>Evidence:</li> </ul>
Reasoning:

