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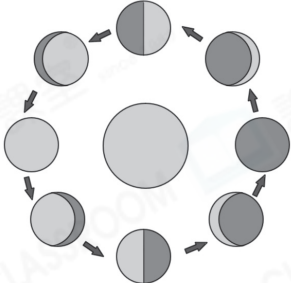
Why does the moon have different shapes?

In Mid-Autumn Festival, the moon is round, but after a few weeks, it looks like a banana! Why does the moon have different shapes?

The moon is like a ball. It rolls day and night on its own and it also travels around the Earth. The moon does not give out light but the sun does. The sun is like a giant light bulb, shining its light on the moon. That is why we see the moon on Earth.

As the moon is always moving, the sun cannot shine all around the moon. So, the moon is bright on one side and dark on the other. The moon we see is the bright side of it. We see many shapes of the moon because the sun shines on the moon in different ways on different days.

Try this at home: move a ball in front of a light bulb in your house in different ways. You will then know why the moon changes shape!



Test your understanding.

- What is the web page about?
 - A. the light of the moon
 - B. the shapes of the moon
 - C. the stories of the moon
 - D. the size of the moon
- Read line 12: '...move a ball in front of a light bulb...' What is the light bulb like?
 - A. the moon
 - B. the sun
 - C. a banana
 - D. the Earth
- Why can people see the moon?
 - A. The moon gives out light.
 - B. The moon is near the Earth.
 - C. The sun shines on the moon.
 - D. The moon moves around the Earth.
- Why does the sun shine only on one side of the moon at a time?
 - A. The moon does not move.
 - B. The sun does not move.
 - C. The Earth moves around the sun.
 - D. The moon moves all the time.