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1. Why do we have days and nights? Cross out the wrong answer.

The Earth orbits the Sun

The Earth spins on its axis

2. How long does it take for the Earth to spin on its axis once?

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3. Jennie and Peter were discussing how the Sun appeared to move across the sky. Jennie said that the Sun rose in the east and appeared to move from right to left. Peter said that the Sun rose in the west and moved from left to right. Who was right?

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4. Paula said that the movement of the Sun across the sky was due to the Sun moving and not the Earth spinning.

Was Paula right? If not, give your own explanation of why the Sun appears to move.

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