

Directions for Daily Moon Journal

For a good grade on your Moon Journal, please follow these directions carefully:

- 1. **Check the time** that the moon rises and sets according to the chart given to you. This is the only time span during that day that you can observe the moon.
- 2. Carefully observe the moon. Notice how much of the moon is illuminated (white) and how much is shadowed (dark). Then notice which side of the moon is shadowed (left side or right?). In pencil only, draw what you see on your Moon Journal sheet in the correctly dated box. Remember to "shade the shadow". You will not be coloring in the side of the moon that is white (illuminated), you will be coloring in the opposite side, which is shadowed.
- 3. **Write down the location** of where you are observing the moon (home, friend's house, school, vacation, website, etc) above your moon circle drawing every day.
- 4. Write a weather description (clear, partly cloudy, etc) under the moon circle drawing of each box every day.
- 5. **Write the time** you are doing the moon observation. Make sure you include whether it is AM or PM.
- 6. If you are unable to see the moon because of <u>weather or other circumstances</u>, you may go to my website at: http://www.geocities.com/jtnolde
 - There you will find photos of the moon. Check for correct dates, and use the image to make your drawing. Make sure you indicate that the location of observation is from the website. Also write the time of when the photo was taken, or when you are looking at it.
- 7. Be neat, accurate and **make thorough observations and drawings!** And don't forget, this is your homework every day!