

Earth's Shape Practice Worksheet

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1. The planets of the solar system are spherical because of
 - a. Centrifugal force
 - b. Gravity
 - c. Their spin
 - d. Their rock type

2. A hemisphere is one-fourth of a sphere.
 - a. TRUE
 - b. FALSE

3. Which of these is evidence that the Earth is not flat?
 - a. A ship going out to sea getting smaller as it moves further away from you
 - b. The shadows of the moon during a lunar eclipse
 - c. The sun rising and setting as an arc
 - d. All of the above

4. Which spherical planet is a bit squished down at the poles and bulges a bit at the equator?
 - a. Pluto
 - b. Earth
 - c. Venus
 - d. Mercury

5. Ancient Greeks documented the earliest evidence of Earth's spherical shape.
 - a. TRUE
 - b. FALSE

6. North of the Equator is known as the _____.
 - a. Northern hemisphere
 - b. Western hemisphere
 - c. Southern hemisphere
 - d. Eastern hemisphere

7. The arc shape of Earth's shadow on the moon during a _____ eclipse exposed Earth as being round.

- a. lunar
- b. solar

8. It wasn't until Galileo's time that people realized that Earth was round.

- a. TRUE
- b. FALSE

9. Earth's minor axis is the diameter through its poles.

- a. TRUE
- b. FALSE

10. The Southern Hemisphere is south of the Equator to the _____ Pole.

- a. West
- b. North
- c. East
- d. South

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