

Our Moon

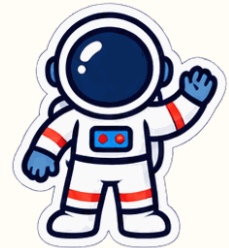
Reading · Lectura en inglés americano (texto informativo): Nuestra Luna

The Moon is Earth's only natural satellite. It travels around our planet, and one trip takes about 27 days. The Moon does not make its own light: it reflects light from the Sun.

The Moon is smaller than Earth. If Earth is a basketball, the Moon is a tennis ball. It is also very far away: about 384,400 kilometers. Thirty planets the size of Earth can fit between Earth and the Moon!

There is almost no air on the Moon, so people can't breathe there. Gravity is weaker there: it is about one sixth of Earth's gravity. In full sunlight, the Moon is very hot, but in the dark it is much colder.

In July 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were the first people on the Moon. They walked on its dusty ground and collected rocks. Between 1969 and 1972, twelve astronauts walked on the Moon. In April 2026, four astronauts traveled around the Moon on the Artemis II mission.



Word bank · Vocabulario

natural satellite: satélite natural

travel around: dar vueltas alrededor de

trip: viaje, vuelta

reflect: reflejar

far away: lejos

fit: caber

breathe: respirar

weaker: más débil

one sixth: un sexto

in full sunlight: a pleno sol

dusty ground: suelo lleno de polvo

collect: recoger

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3. Gravity on the Moon is stronger than on Earth.

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4. The Moon is Earth's only natural satellite.

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a) 7 days b) 27 days c) 384 days
2. People can't breathe on the Moon because ...
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3. In April 2026, four astronauts ...
a) walked on the Moon
b) collected Moon rocks
c) traveled around the Moon

3 Answer the questions.

Responde a las preguntas con una frase corta.

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2. Who were the first people on the Moon?

3. When were they on the Moon?

4. How many astronauts walked on the Moon between 1969 and 1972?

4 Your turn: compare and write.

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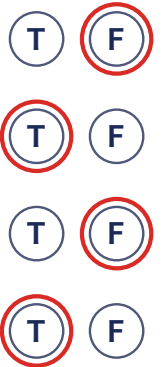
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Respuesta libre. Ejemplo: I can see Earth in the black sky. I can see lots of rocks and dust.