

LONG TERM PROJECT ASTRONOMY UNIT



During our study of astronomy, you are being assigned a 'long term' project. This means that you will be doing this project over the course of our study.

Your task is to keep a Space Log at home. You will do this by observing the night sky for 10 minutes at least three times per week at night (unless it is cloudy, then you will do this the next night). The reason for this is that when you do this regularly, you will begin to observe certain patterns.

I have attached a form of what you should observe each night that you go out. The form includes a room for each of your three weekly observations (and space for your name). You can also find this form on my website (www.sciencerules.net) under forms. You will need to write the date and time of your observation. Obviously, you cannot observe on a very cloudy night! You need to include the moon (and it's phase) if you can see the moon. You need to write about at least two constellations that you can see. You also need to identify any planets in the sky (you can get help on this from <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/observing/ataglance/>) You should write a brief record of what you observed each time, and be sure to put the date and time of your observation.

DATE ASSIGNED: _____

DUE DATE FOR HAND-IN OF ALL OBSERVATIONS

GET SPACED OUT!!!