

## Day v's Night

The Earth completes a full rotation every day ( $\mathbf{2 4}$ hours). When our side of the Earth is facing the Sun, it is day time. When our side of the Earth is facing away from the Sun, it is night time.

It takes $\mathbf{3 6 5} 1 / 4$ days for the Earth to orbit the sun. This creates one calendar year.

| Key Vocabulary |  |  |
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|  | Word | Definition |
| 1. | Solar system | $\begin{array}{l}\text { The collection of eight } \\ \text { planets \& their moons that } \\ \text { orbit around the Sun. }\end{array}$ |
| 2. | Rotate | $\begin{array}{l}\text { The action of moving } \\ \text { around an axis or center. }\end{array}$ |
| 3. | Orbit | $\begin{array}{l}\text { The path of an object } \\ \text { around a star or planet. }\end{array}$ |
| 4. | Axis | $\begin{array}{l}\text { An imaginary line which an } \\ \text { object rotates on. }\end{array}$ |
| 5. | Solar eclipse | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Lunar eclipse } \\ \text { 5. }\end{array}$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{l}\text { An astronomical event that } \\ \text { occurs when the Moon } \\ \text { moves into the Earth's } \\ \text { shadow, causing the Moon } \\ \text { to be darkened. }\end{array}$ |  |
| The Moon passes between |  |  |
| Earth and the Sun, thereby |  |  |
| blocking the view of the |  |  |
| the Earth. |  |  |$\}$

