

Solar Eclipse Art

INSTRUCTION SHEET



MATERIALS

- •1 sheet of construction paper
- Chalk
- Plastic lid

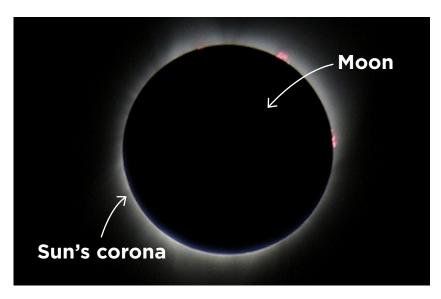
CAUTION!

Never look directly at the Sun. Use special eclipse glasses to view a solar eclipse.



WHAT TO DO

- 1. Place a plastic lid on top of the construction paper.
- 2. Hold the lid down with one hand, and use chalk to draw a thick circle around the lid. Your circle does not have to be neat.
- 3. Still holding the lid in place, use a finger to smudge the chalk away from the circle.
- 4. Remove the lid to reveal your work of art. This is what a total solar eclipse looks like! For many years, and especially before cameras were available, astronomers have sketched their observations of eclipses.
- 5. You can use the chalk to add words or pictures to your artwork.



Photograph of a total solar eclipse seen from Madras, Oregon, on August 21, 2017. Credit: Vernon Gross