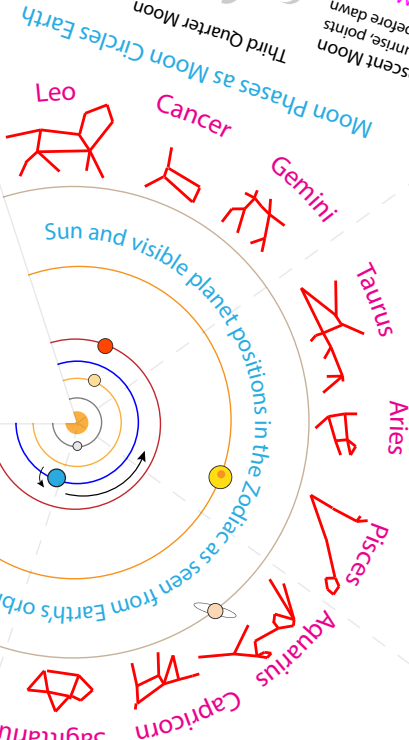
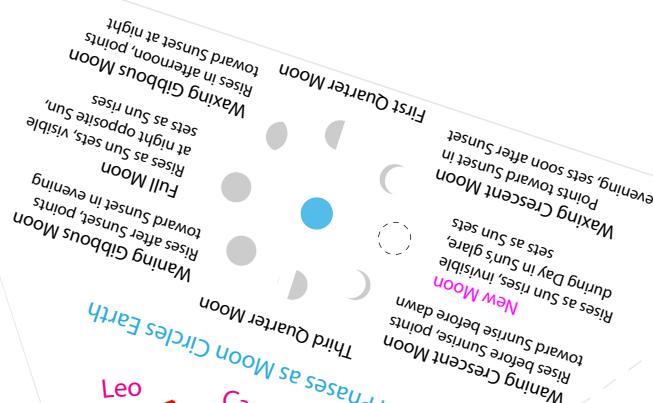


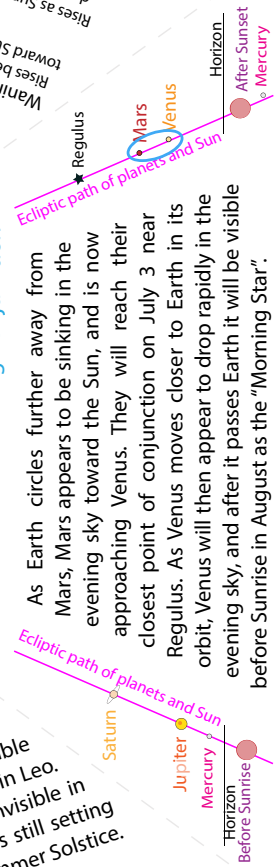


- 1 Print double-sided (heavy paper best)
- 2 Cut out this wedge from pentagon
- 3 Kids punch out stars with pushpin, or dab with glow-in-dark glue
- 4 Fold inward on creases
- 5 Lay flat on table to tape edge
- 6 Open to make pyramid



Venus and Mars Nearing Conjunction

As Earth circles further away from Mars, Mars appears to be sinking in the evening sky toward the Sun, and is now approaching Venus. They will reach their closest point of conjunction on July 3 near Regulus. As Venus moves closer to Earth in its orbit, Venus will then appear to drop rapidly in the evening sky, and after it passes Earth it will be visible before sunrise in August as the "Morning Star".



Eclipse Countdown

This October's annular eclipse and next April's total eclipse will be visible as partial eclipses in Wisconsin. Each month the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth (New Moon), and each month it crosses the ecliptic plane twice. When it crosses during Earth and Sun so it eclipses the Sun.

Night Sky June 15, 2023

Venus and Mars are approaching conjunction and visible along the ecliptic after sunset near the bright star Regulus in Leo. Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn visible before sunrise. Moon invisible in Sun's glare as New Moon approaches on June 17. The Sun is still setting later each day leading up to the longest day on the June 21 Summer Solstice.

