

Geography Notes

2. Rotation and Revolution of Earth

1. What are the important movements of sun?

Rotation on its own axis and revolution around the sun are the two important movements of the sun.

2. How long does the earth takes to finish one rotation?

23 hours and 56 minutes

3. How is day and night taking place on earth?

All parts of the earth do not experience day and night at the same time. The part of the earth's surface which faces the sun experience day. The part of the earth's surface which does not face the sun experience the night.

4. Who was the ancient astronomer?

Aryabhata

5. Who explained scientifically that the earth rotates on its won axis?

Aryabhata

6. When is beginning of day marked in olden days?

Sunrise

7. When is the beginning of day marked in modern day?

At 12 midnight

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8. What is the duration taken by earth for its one revolution?

365 $\frac{1}{4}$ days

9. What is leap year?

A year with an extra day in the month of February.

10. What are the four main seasons?

Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter

11. What is the shape of earth that revolves around the sun?

Elliptical in shape

12. In which month earth is far away from sun?

July

13. How are seasons caused?

It is caused because of the earth's axis is inclined.

14. What is northern movement?

On December 22nd the sun which rises mostly in the south and east now starts moving towards the north. This is called as northern movement.

15. What is southern movement?

Movement of sun towards south is called as southern movement.

16. What is specialty of Solstice June 21?

We experience summer in northern hemisphere and winter in southern hemisphere.

17. How many seasons are there in Tamil tradition?

6 seasons, namely Khar, Kulir, Munpani, Pinpani, Ilavenil and Mudhuvenil.

18. How is summer associated?

With heat, brightness and longer days

19. How is winter associated?

With cold weather, early sunset and shorter days.

20. Which festival is celebrated in England during winter?

Christmas.

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