

# SUN NOTES

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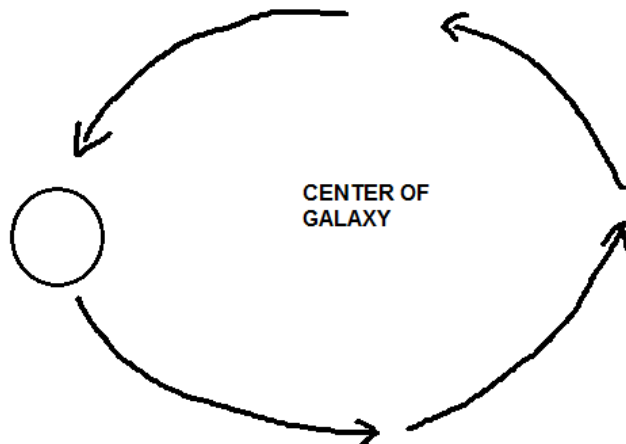
Sun- \_\_\_\_\_ star that is average \_\_\_\_\_ and average \_\_\_\_\_ & is \_\_\_\_\_ than average

## A. SUN PHENOMENA

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ area on the sun [like a ticking time bomb that will \_\_\_\_\_ someday]
  - a) Happens in an \_\_\_\_\_ cycle—called the Cycle of Solar Activity
  - b) Caused by \_\_\_\_\_
  - c) At the end of a cycle, the sun's poles get \_\_\_\_\_ and the twisting starts all over again
  - d) Cycle labels:
    - (1) **Sunspot** \_\_\_\_\_ - largest number of spots (several per \_\_\_\_\_)
    - (2) **Sunspot** \_\_\_\_\_ - fewer sunspots (1 every two \_\_\_\_\_)
  - e) Sunspots showed us that the sun \_\_\_\_\_ on an axis
    - (1) Equator--- \_\_\_\_\_-day rotation
    - (2) Poles--- \_\_\_\_\_-day rotation
    - (3) \_\_\_\_\_ million year revolution



**ROTATE  
(SPIN IN  
PLACE)**



**REVOLVE  
(GO AROUND SOMETHING)**

2. **Solar** \_\_\_\_\_ - a magnetic storm that explodes particles and gases

\_\_\_\_\_ out from the surface of the sun

a) Messes up \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_

b) Flares interact with earth's

\_\_\_\_\_ making auroras

(1) **Aurora borealis**-

(2) **Aurora australis**- \_\_\_\_\_

[ neutrinos from solar flares follow magnetic \_\_\_\_\_ toward the poles, then charged particles \_\_\_\_\_ with particles in ionosphere creating \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed by some as well]

3. \_\_\_\_\_ - massive \_\_\_\_\_ shaped explosion of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that erupts from the surface of the sun AKA coronal mass ejections (\_\_\_\_\_)

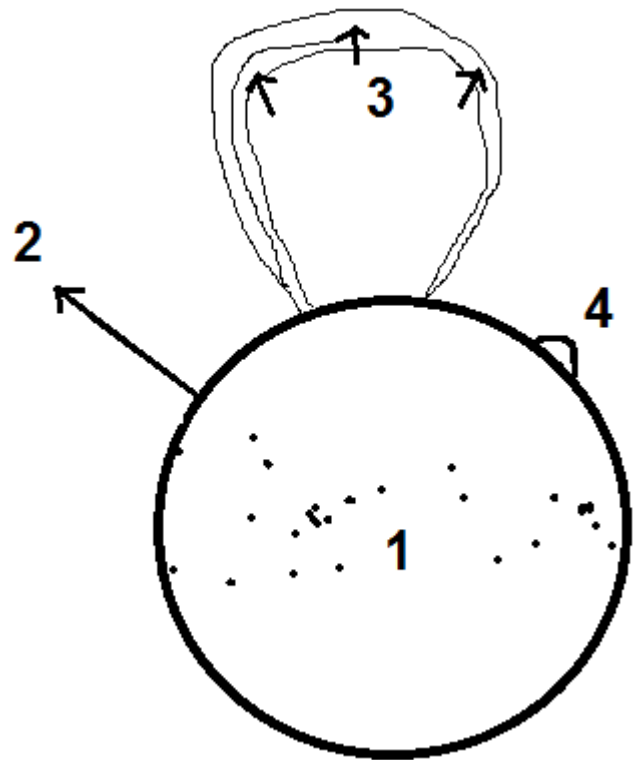
4. \_\_\_\_\_ **loop**- gases held up in a \_\_\_\_\_ loop- reach from \_\_\_\_\_ to sunspot

5. **Solar wind** -

a) streaming electrically charged \_\_\_\_\_ that constantly escape from the Sun through coronal holes, which are weak spots in the Sun's \_\_\_\_\_ field.

b) It is \_\_\_\_\_ and much \_\_\_\_\_ than Earth's wind.

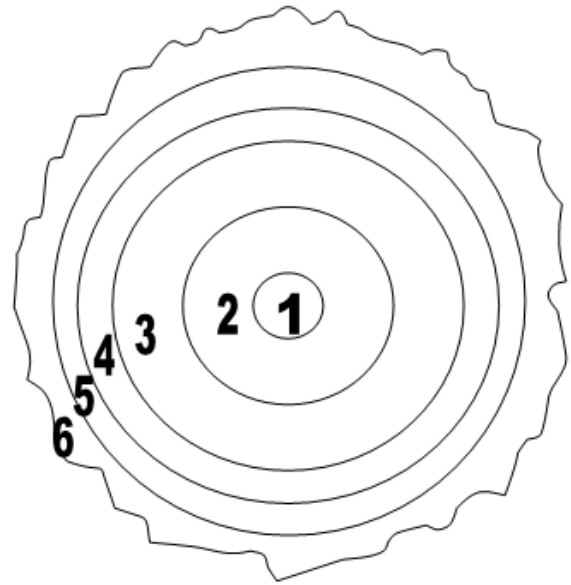
c) Solar wind is traveling at about 1 \_\_\_\_\_ miles an hour by the time it gets close to Earth.



d) If it \_\_\_\_\_ on the Earth's surface, it would obliterate all \_\_\_\_\_, but Earth's magnetic field and atmosphere \_\_\_\_\_ the planet.

## B. SUN'S INTERNAL STRUCTURE

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ occurs here
2. \_\_\_\_\_ **zone**- electromagnetic waves (energy) \_\_\_\_\_ around like a pinball, taking a \_\_\_\_\_ years to \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ **zone**- heat \_\_\_\_\_ and cold \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ surface of the sun
5. \_\_\_\_\_ - the \_\_\_\_\_ of the sun's \_\_\_\_\_ (see \_\_\_\_\_)
6. \_\_\_\_\_ (crown)- the \_\_\_\_\_ of the sun's atmosphere (\_\_\_\_\_ through)



## C. How FUSION works:

1. Hydrogen and hydrogen \_\_\_\_\_ to make \_\_\_\_\_ in the core.
2. Tiny bits of \_\_\_\_\_ are transformed into enormous \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Particles and dangerous ionizing \_\_\_\_\_ WAVES bounce around like a pinball machine for 1 \_\_\_\_\_ years trying to get \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Once it finally gets to the sun's \_\_\_\_\_, it has transformed into much safer electromagnetic waves – \_\_\_\_\_ (heat) and \_\_\_\_\_ (light).