

☐☉☼ ELTE Summer quiz 8-Lunar Eclipse Vocabulary & Idioms ☐

1. The Moon's _____ changes throughout the month, producing stages such as new moon, crescent, quarter, gibbous and full moon.

- ☐ (A) orbital shadow
- ☐ (B) celestial alignment
- ☐ (C) lunar phase
- ☐ (D) solar position

2. I only get the chance to see a spectacular lunar eclipse once in a _____, so I never miss one when it happens.

- ☐ (A) red moon
- ☐ (B) blue moon
- ☐ (C) full moon
- ☐ (D) dark moon

3. A lunar eclipse can only occur when there is a precise celestial _____ involving the Sun, Earth and Moon.

- ☐ (A) rotation
- ☐ (B) alignment
- ☐ (C) illumination
- ☐ (D) formation

4. If you expect the company to give you a 50% pay rise after three months, you're asking for the _____.

- ☐ (A) stars
- ☐ (B) moon
- ☐ (C) eclipse
- ☐ (D) universe

5. She was over the _____ when she discovered that she had won the astronomy competition.

- ☐ (A) stars
- ☐ (B) sun
- ☐ (C) moon
- ☐ (D) sky

6. The salesperson promised us the _____, claiming that the new product would completely transform our business.

- ☐ (A) eclipse
- ☐ (B) stars
- ☐ (C) moon
- ☐ (D) sky

7. During a total lunar eclipse, the Moon can take on a reddish _____ because of the way sunlight passes through Earth's atmosphere.

- ☐ (A) shadow
- ☐ (B) shade
- ☐ (C) hue
- ☐ (D) glow

8. During a _____, the entire face of the Moon visible from Earth is illuminated by the Sun.

- ☐ (A) new moon
- ☐ (B) lunar eclipse
- ☐ (C) full moon
- ☐ (D) blood moon

9. Many _____ ago, people had no scientific explanation for why the Moon sometimes appeared to turn red.

- ☐ (A) years
- ☐ (B) nights
- ☐ (C) moons
- ☐ (D) stars

10. The young entrepreneur isn't afraid to shoot for the _____ and hopes to build a global company within five years.

- ☐ (A) sun
- ☐ (B) sky
- ☐ (C) stars
- ☐ (D) moon

11. On a clear night away from city lights, _____ can be an enjoyable way to observe stars, planets and the Moon.

- ☐ (A) moonwalking
- ☐ (B) stargazing
- ☐ (C) sightseeing
- ☐ (D) skywatching

12. Unlike a solar eclipse, a lunar eclipse is generally safe for _____ observation, meaning you can look at it without special protective equipment.

- ☐ (A) naked-eye
- ☐ (B) open-sky
- ☐ (C) direct-light
- ☐ (D) unaided-sight

13. The _____ is the darkest central part of Earth's shadow, and the Moon must enter it for a total lunar eclipse to occur.

- ☐ (A) penumbra
- ☐ (B) atmosphere
- ☐ (C) umbra
- ☐ (D) horizon

14. The _____ is the lighter outer region of Earth's shadow, so an object passing through it experiences only a partial reduction in sunlight.

- ☐ (A) umbra
- ☐ (B) penumbra
- ☐ (C) eclipse zone
- ☐ (D) lunar belt

15. A _____ is a popular term for a total lunar eclipse, when the Moon often appears reddish or copper-coloured.

- ☐ **A** blue moon
- ☐ **B** blood moon
- ☐ **C** red star
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i A "lunar phase" is one of the different appearances of the Moon as seen from Earth during its monthly cycle.

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- ☐ A red moon
- ☒ B blue moon
- ☐ C full moon
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i "Once in a blue moon" means very rarely or only occasionally.

3. A lunar eclipse can only occur when there is a precise celestial _____ involving the Sun, Earth and Moon.

- ☐ A rotation
- ☒ B alignment
- ☐ C illumination
- ☐ D formation

i "Celestial alignment" refers to a particular arrangement in which astronomical bodies are positioned in relation to one another.

4. If you expect the company to give you a 50% pay rise after three months, you're asking for the _____.

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- ✓ B moon
- C eclipse
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i "Ask for the moon" means to ask for something unreasonable, unrealistic, or very difficult to obtain.

5. She was over the _____ when she discovered that she had won the astronomy competition.

- A stars
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i "Over the moon" means extremely happy or delighted about something.

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i "Promise someone the moon" means to make extravagant or unrealistic promises about what you will provide or achieve.

7. During a total lunar eclipse, the Moon can take on a reddish _____ because of the way sunlight passes through Earth's atmosphere.

- A shadow
- B shade
- ✓ C hue
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i A "reddish hue" is a slightly red colour or tint. "Hue" is commonly used to describe a particular shade or colour.

8. During a _____, the entire face of the Moon visible from Earth is illuminated by the Sun.

- A** new moon
- B** lunar eclipse
- ☒ **C** full moon
- D** blood moon

i A "full moon" occurs when the side of the Moon facing Earth is fully illuminated by sunlight.

9. Many _____ ago, people had no scientific explanation for why the Moon sometimes appeared to turn red.

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- B** nights
- ☒ **C** moons
- D** stars

i "Many moons ago" is an informal expression meaning a long time ago.

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- ☒ **D** moon

i "Shoot for the moon" means to aim for something extremely ambitious, even if it is difficult to achieve.

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- ☒ **B** stargazing
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i "Stargazing" means observing the night sky, especially stars and other celestial objects, for pleasure or interest.

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i Naked-eye observation means observing something without using a telescope, binoculars, or other optical equipment.

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i The "umbra" is the darkest central region of a shadow. During a total lunar eclipse, the Moon passes completely into Earth's umbra.

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i "Blood Moon" is a popular term for a total lunar eclipse because the Moon can appear red or copper-coloured during the event.