Exploring Day and Night (Year 2)

Australian Curriculum Links:

- Science Understanding: Earth and space sciences
 - Year 2: Observable changes occur in the sky and landscape (ACSSU019)

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Part 1: Day and Night Cycle

- A. Label the pictures as 'Day' or 'Night':
 - 1.



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Day:	
Night:	

Part 2: Activities During Day and Night

A. Draw a line to match the activity with the correct time of day (Day or Night):

1. Eating breakfast	a) Night
2. Going to school	b) Day
3. Sleeping	c) Day
4. Brushing teeth before bed	d) Night

B. Circle the activities you do during the day:

- Playing in the park
- Reading a book before bed
- Having lunch
- Watching the stars

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A. Fill in the blanks:

1. The sun is in the sky during the _____ (day/night).

2. The moon and stars are in the sky during the _____

(day/night).

- 3. We can see shadows during the _____ (day/night).
- 4. We sleep during the _____ (day/night).

B. Match the object with when you see it:

1. Sun	a) Day
2. Moon	b) Night
3. Stars	c) Night
4. Clouds	d) Day

Part 4: Observing Day and Night

A. What changes do you notice between day and night? Write or draw your observations.

Day: Observations:

Night: Observations: _____

B. Discuss with a partner: Why is it important to have both day and night?

Part 5: Experiment: Making a Day and Night Model

A. Materials Needed:

- A flashlight (representing the sun)
- A globe or ball (representing the Earth)
- A dark room

B. Steps:

- 1. Turn on the flashlight and point it at the globe.
- 2. Slowly spin the globe.
- 3. Observe how different parts of the globe are in the light

(day) and the dark (night).

C. Questions:

- 1. What do you notice when you spin the globe?
- 2. Which part of the globe is experiencing day?

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Teacher's Notes:

• Encourage students to share their observations and discuss why the day and night cycle is essential for life on Earth.

- Use visual aids and interactive models to help students understand the concepts better.
- Reinforce the importance of the sun for providing light and warmth during the day and the role of the moon and stars at night.

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