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# **Shadow Lab Analysis**

Please type or write on a lined piece of paper. Staple this handout to your paper and your shadow data sheet.

- 1. Write the procedure that you followed for setting up the lab and collecting data. Is there any way the lab procedure could have been improved? If yes, explain.
- 2. **Compare and Contrast** the general <u>movements</u> of both of your building shadows across time. **Discuss** both the <u>direction</u> that each shadow moved and the <u>direction</u> that each shadow was cast. **Use** your <u>data</u> as evidence.
- 3. What does this data tell us about the Earth's rotation?
- 4. Explain why we have day and night. Use evidence from the lab if possible.
- 5. **Predict** how you think your shadows will change throughout the year and seasons.

#### 1. DESIGNING INVESTIGATIONS (DI)

## **Scoring Guide**

| LEVEL                              | DESCRIPTION  |
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| Level 4<br>Above and beyond        | Student accomplishes Level 3 and goes beyond in some significant way, such as:  • identifying alternate procedures,  • suggesting improved materials.  • relating clearly to scientific principles and approaches. |
| Level 3<br>Complete and<br>correct | Student's design is appropriate and has a reproducible procedure, if required.   |
| Level 2<br>Almost there            | Student's design or procedure is incomplete or has significant errors.   |
| Level 1<br>On your way             | Student's design or procedure is incorrect or demonstrates a lack of understanding of the goals of the investigation.  |
| Level 0                            | Student's design or procedure is missing, illegible, or irrelevant.  |
| X                                  | Student had no opportunity to respond.   |

#### 4. UNDERSTANDING CONCEPTS (UC)

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| Level 4<br>Above and beyond        | Student accomplishes Level 3 AND goes beyond in some significant way, such as:  • providing relevant information not provided in class that enhances the response,  • using a diagram to clarify scientific concepts,  • relating the response to other scientific concepts. |
| Level 3<br>Complete and<br>correct | Student accurately and completely explains or applies relevant scientific concept(s).  |
| Level 2<br>Almost there            | Student explains or applies scientific concept(s) BUT omits some information OR includes some errors.  |
| Level I<br>On your way             | Student incorrectly explains or applies scientific concept(s) OR shows a lack of understanding of the concept(s).  |
| Level 0                            | Student's response is missing, illegible, or irrelevant.   |
| Х                                  | Student had no opportunity to respond.   |