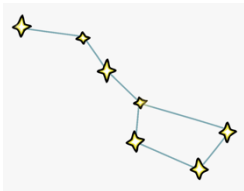
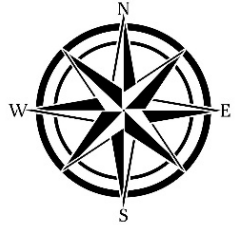


Early Spring Sky Tour

Reach for the stars this April with the following fun selection of family-style sky watching activities!

WHERE AM I?: With a compass from your phone, find the cardinal directions, north, south, east, and west. Note each direction with a landmark. For example, if you see a big pine tree in the north, claim that tree as your “north” landmark. Use your new-found directions to locate the positions of the Moon at different times of the night.



DIPPER FINDER: Walk outside on a clear April night and look overhead. 4 stars in a “pot” and 3 stars in a “handle” form the familiar shape of the Big Dipper. Count the number of stars out loud.

ARC & SPEED: Use the handle of the Big Dipper as your guide to other stars. Arc along the Dipper handle to find the bright star, Arcturus. Then, continue to speed along the same line of sight to the bright star, Spica. Compare the star color and brightness of the two stars.

