



**Get Ready For The 2024 Eclipses: How To Inspire And Connect With Patrons And Partners Through Engaging STEM Programs**

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Introductions

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Icebreaker

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Who is STAR Net?

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Website/Community

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Clearinghouse

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Passion for Pixels Activity

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Facilitation Strategy: Guide on the Side

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Other resources

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Ending Q&A

# INTRODUCTIONS



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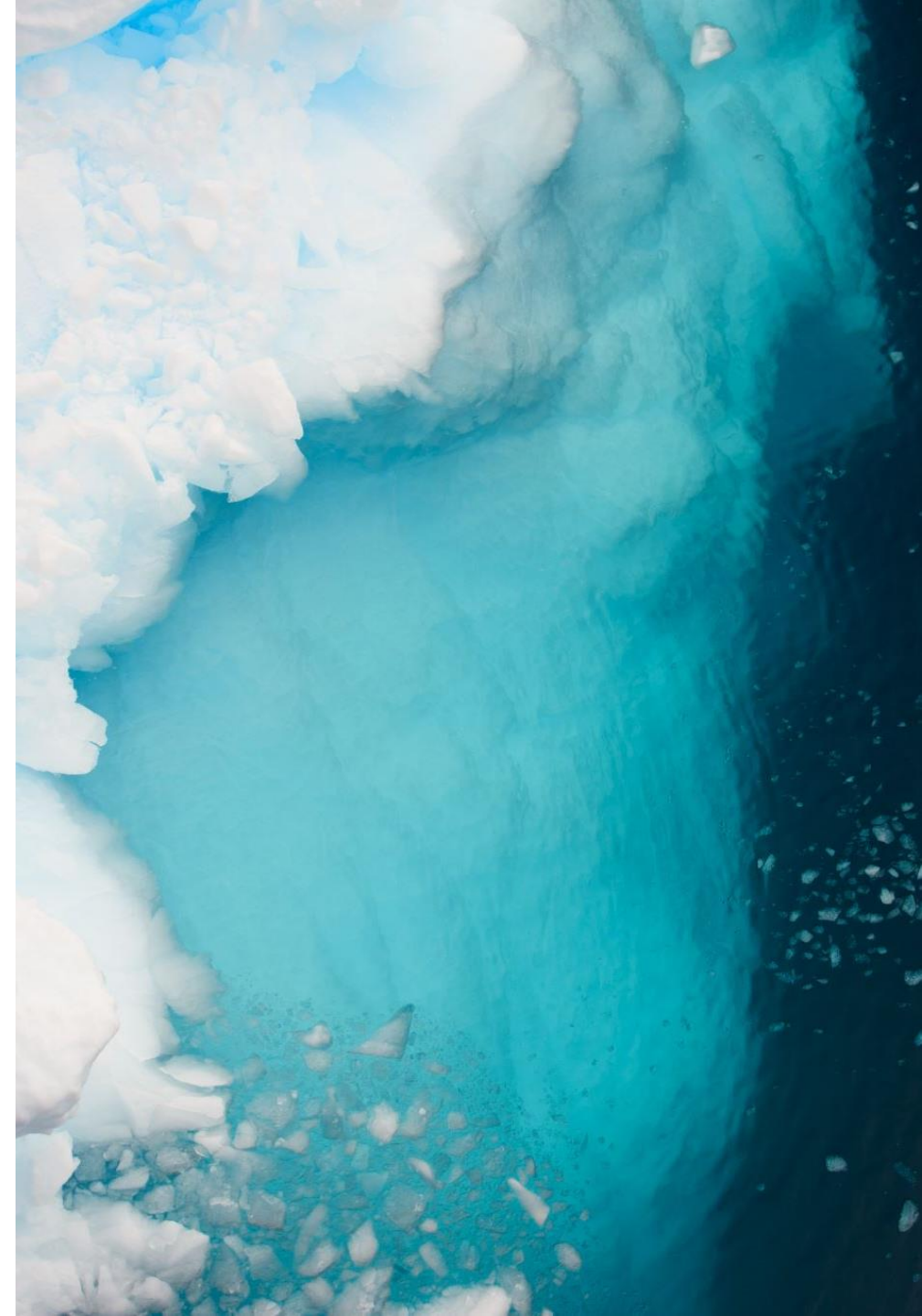


# ICE BREAKER

What are your favorite STEAM programs you've facilitated at your library?

Or

If you're new to STEAM programming, what types of programming interest you?





# SSI'S MISSION

## DISCOVER, EDUCATE, INSPIRE

- ◆ Enable scientists to advance our understanding of Earth and the Universe
- ◆ Increase science and tech literacy for all
- ◆ Inspire youth to pursue STEM education and careers

**NCIL**

National Center for  
Interactive Learning

**STAR**net

Science-Technology Activities &  
Resources For Libraries





# RESEARCH PROGRAMS

at Space Science Institute

Research, development and consulting services  
in science, education and management.





# STAR★net

Science-Technology Activities &  
Resources For Libraries

STAR Library Education Network

**Who we are and what we do!**

# WHAT DOES STAR NET DO?

- ◆ Exhibits
- ◆ Kits
- ◆ Professional Development
- ◆ Community Dialogues
- ◆ Partnership Guidance
- ◆ SME Matchmaking
- ◆ Events
- ◆ Interactive Activities
- ◆ Facilitation Strategies
- ◆ Resource Dissemination
- ◆ Eclipse Glasses and Training!





# The STAR Library Network

Inspiring life-long learning through inquiry and play.

JOIN COMMUNITY



☰ A MESSAGE ON SPACE SCIENCE INSTITUTE'S COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY

# STEM ACTIVITY Clearinghouse

Curated STEM Activities &  
Resources to Support  
Informal Learning

## STEM Activity Clearinghouse

- ▶ Overview
- ▶ Browse & Filter
- ▶ Collections
- ▶ New Items

## Take & Make



[View This Collection](#)

## STEAM Equity



[View This Collection](#)

[JOIN COMMUNITY](#)

 **A MESSAGE ON SPACE SCIENCE INSTITUTE'S COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY**



## STEAM Resources

- ▶ Overview
- ▶ STAR Net Blogs
- ▶ Newsletters
- ▶ STEAM Ahead @ Home
- ▶ Guide on the Side
- ▶ Tweens and STEM
- ▶ STEM and STEAM Kits
- ▶ Engineering Program Activities
- ▶ SciGames
- ▶ STAR Net Blogs Archive



### Guide on the Side



### Facilitation Kits



### STEAM Ahead @ Home



### Exhibition Posters



### CineSpace Videos

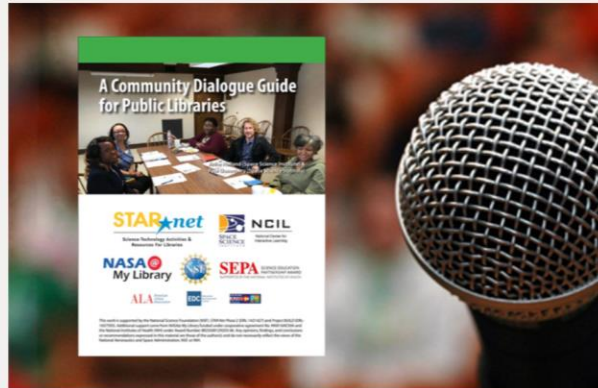


### Curiosity's Rover Adventure

## Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility

- ▶ Overview
- ▶ Diversity
- ▶ Resources
- ▶ Community Dialogues
- ▶ Engaging Families

## Community Dialogues



[View Online Guide](#)

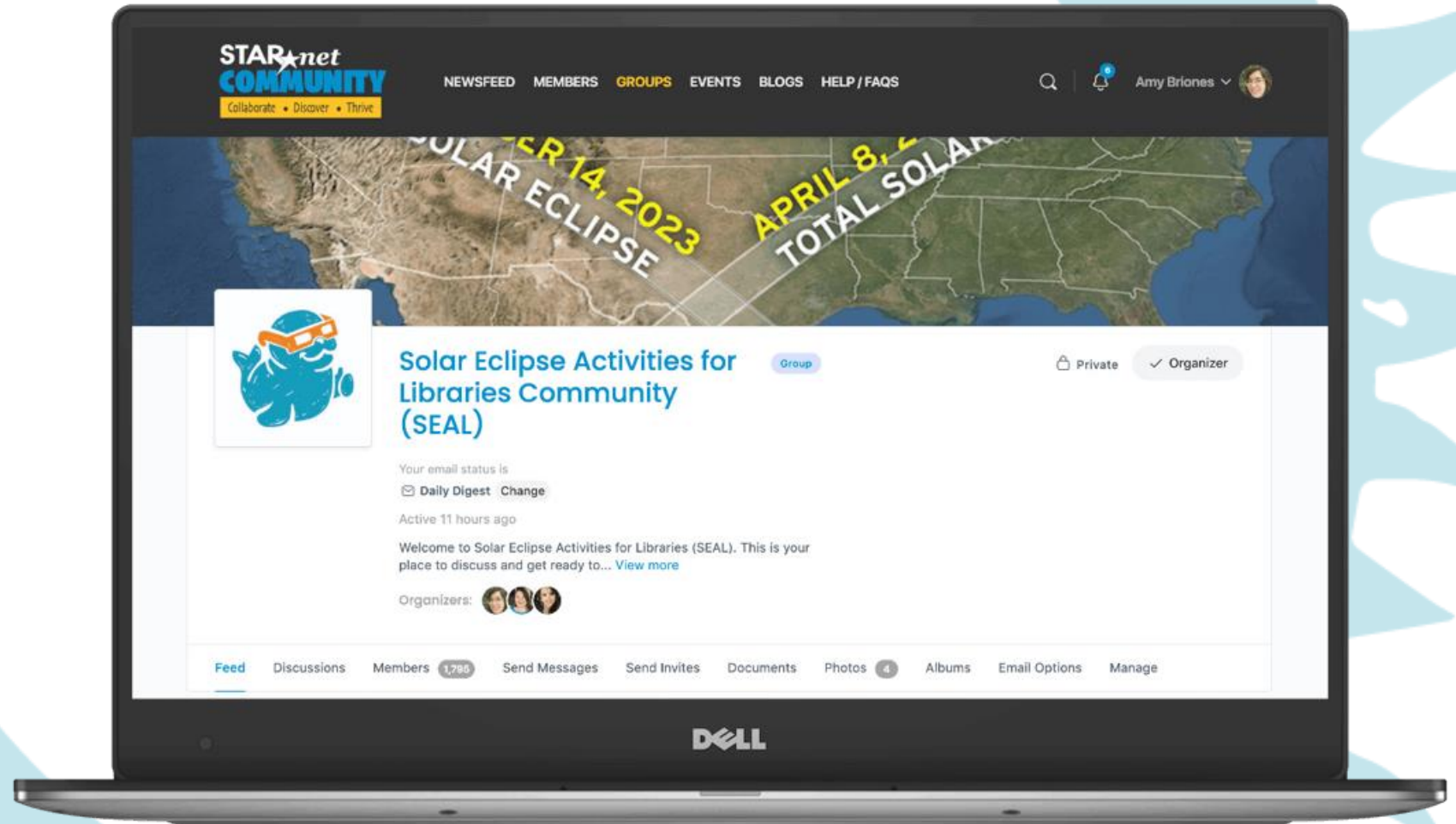
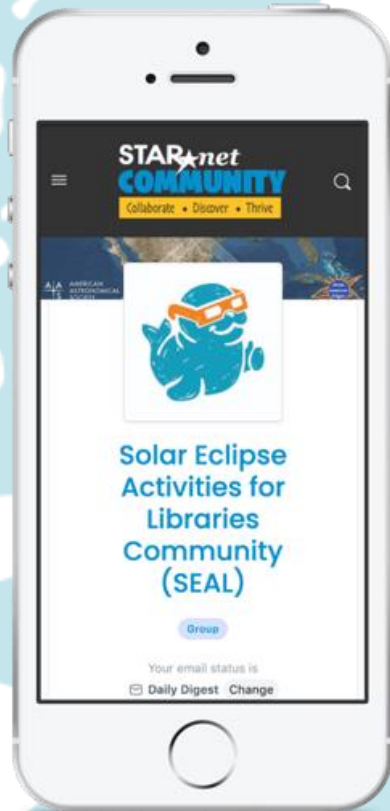
## Diversity Resources



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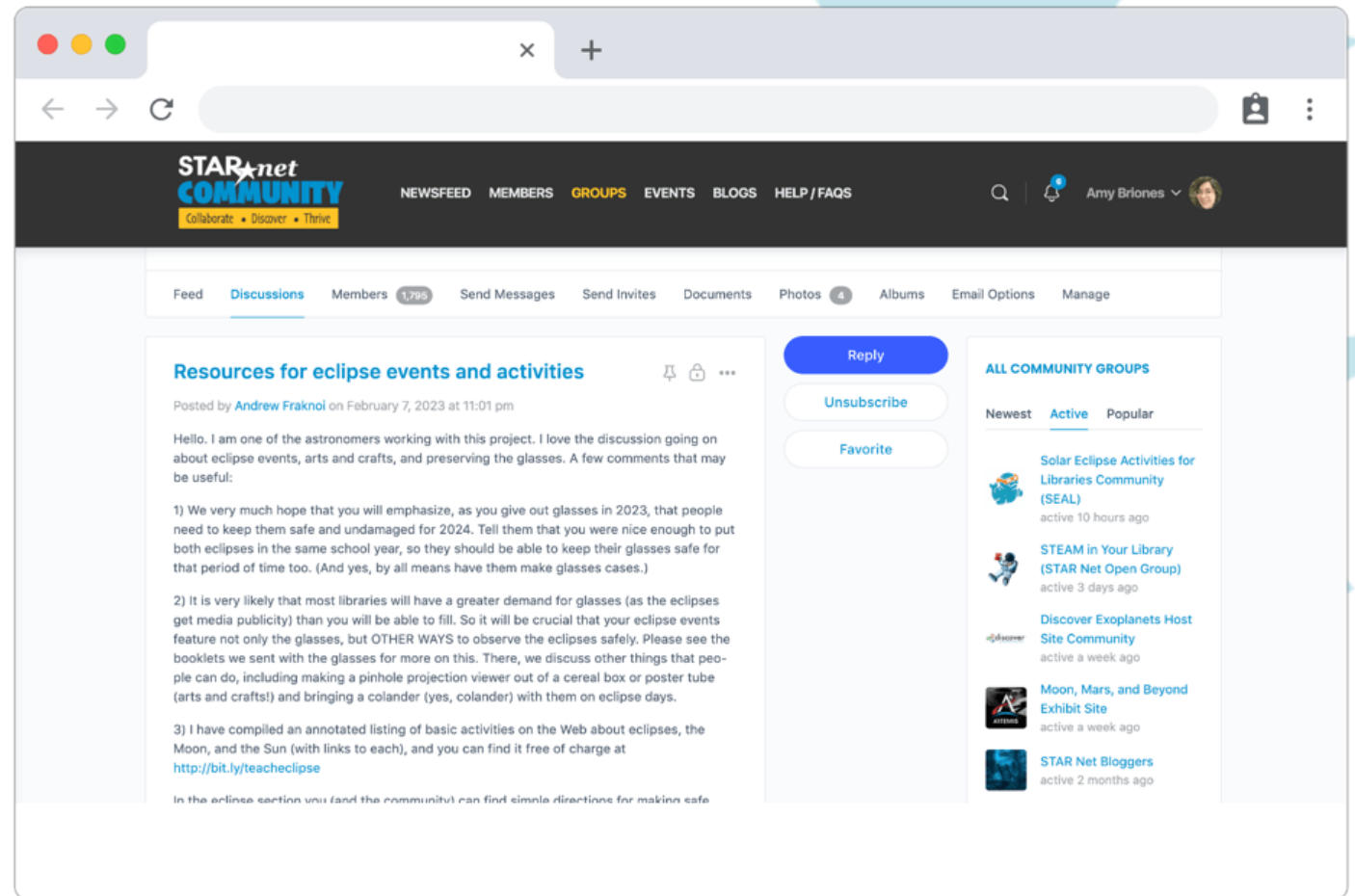


# SEAL Group on the STAR Net Online Community



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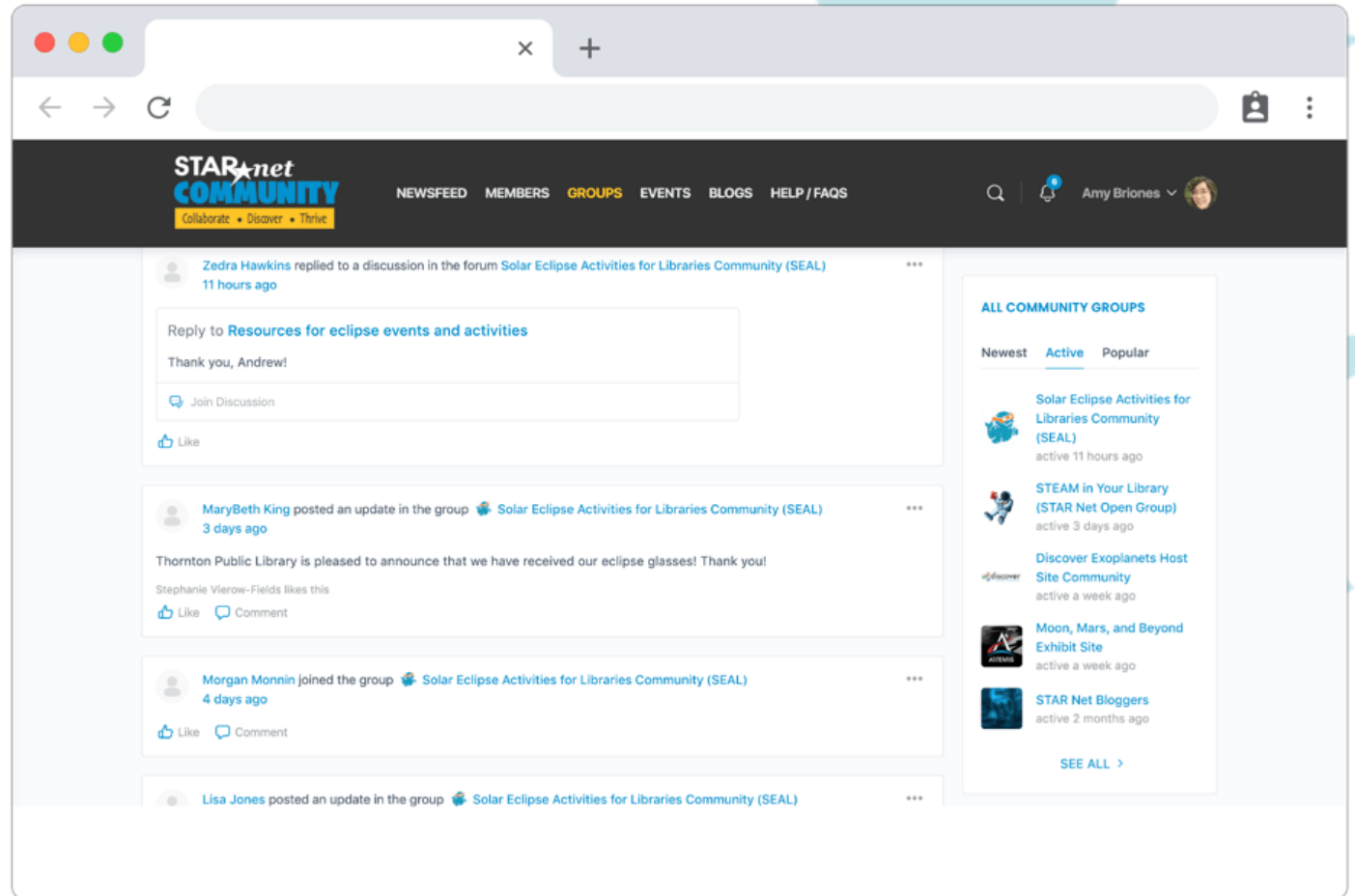
- ◆ Online network specially curated for you
- ◆ Opportunity to interact with fellow libraries
- ◆ Place to upload your program pictures, activity documents, and chat





# WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY?

Like other social media platforms, you can post discussions, “like” other’s comments, upload documents for activities and share pictures



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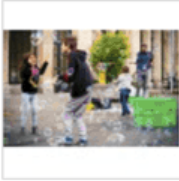
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[www.clearinghouse.starnetlibraries.org](http://www.clearinghouse.starnetlibraries.org)





VIEWED ITEMS



Diversión con  
Burbujas

¡Diviértate con Burbujas  
de Explora...



Water Cycle Paper  
Craft

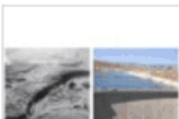
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UV Kid

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NEW ITEMS



Walk Through Time:  
Water in the Four  
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Virtual Photo Gallery



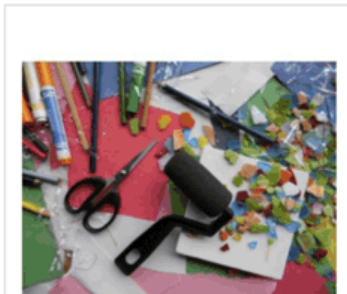
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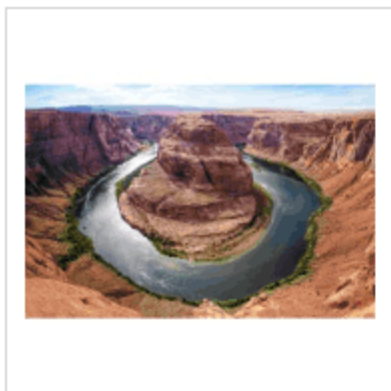
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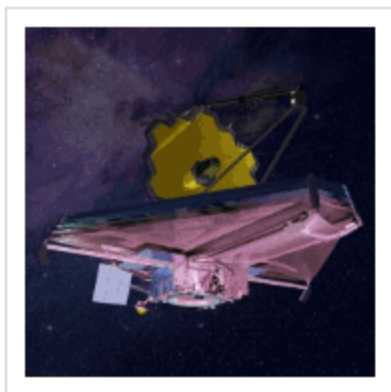
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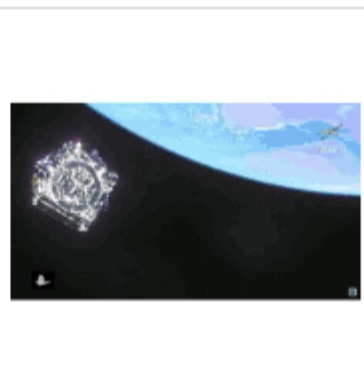
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Look Up! Explore Our Universe



Moon, Mars, and Beyond



Look Up! First Image



Solar Eclipse Activities for Libraries





### VIEWED ITEMS



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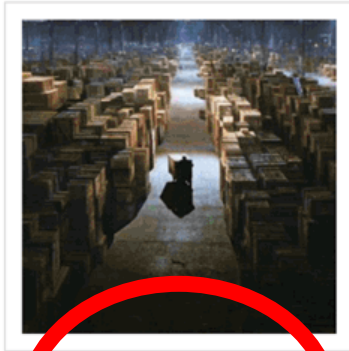
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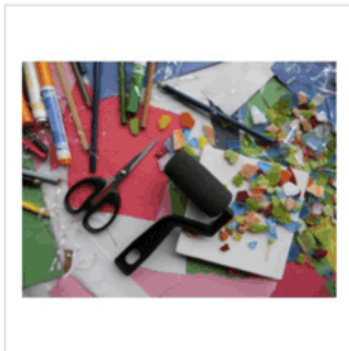
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### Age Group

- All Ages (10)
- Family (464)
- Infant (0-2) (1)
- Pre-K (81)
- Early Elementary (255)
- Upper Elementary (425)
- Tweens (9-12) (402)
- ...

### Time to Complete Activity

- Under 10 minutes (21)
- 10-20 minutes (114)
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- 40 minutes to 1 hour (237)
- 1-2 hours (77)
- 2-4 hours (10)
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## ACTIVITIES

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Show all



### Can a Toaster Make Wind?

★★★★☆ 1 Review(s)

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Check It Out

How-to Video

Teacher's Guide

### Content Area

Earth Science

### Age Group

Family  
Upper Elementary  
Tweens (9-12)  
Teens

### Time to Complete Activity

Under 10 minutes

### Cost associated with Activity Materials

\$0 ("found" items)

### Difficulty Level (by content)

Medium

### STEM Tools



Home > Activities

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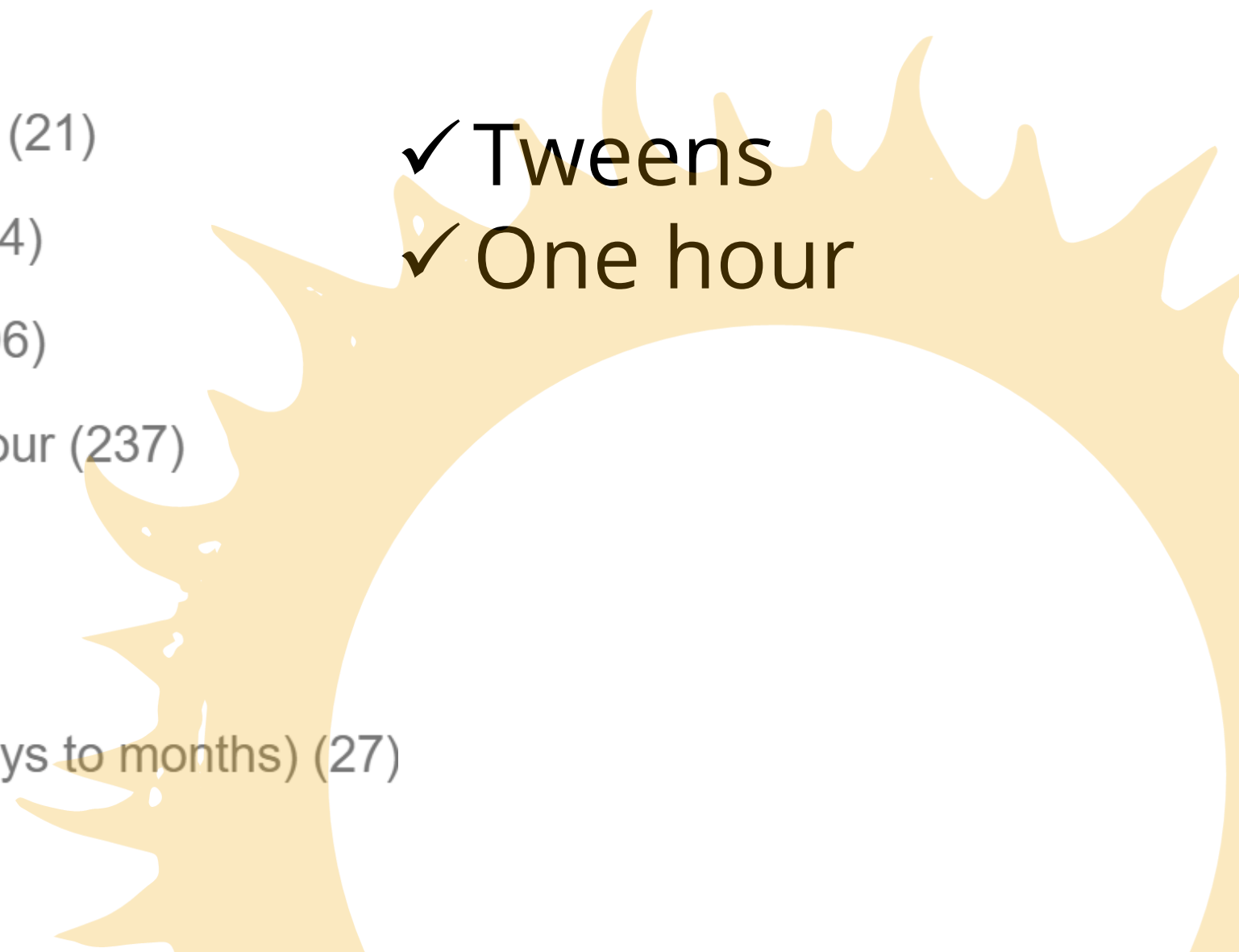


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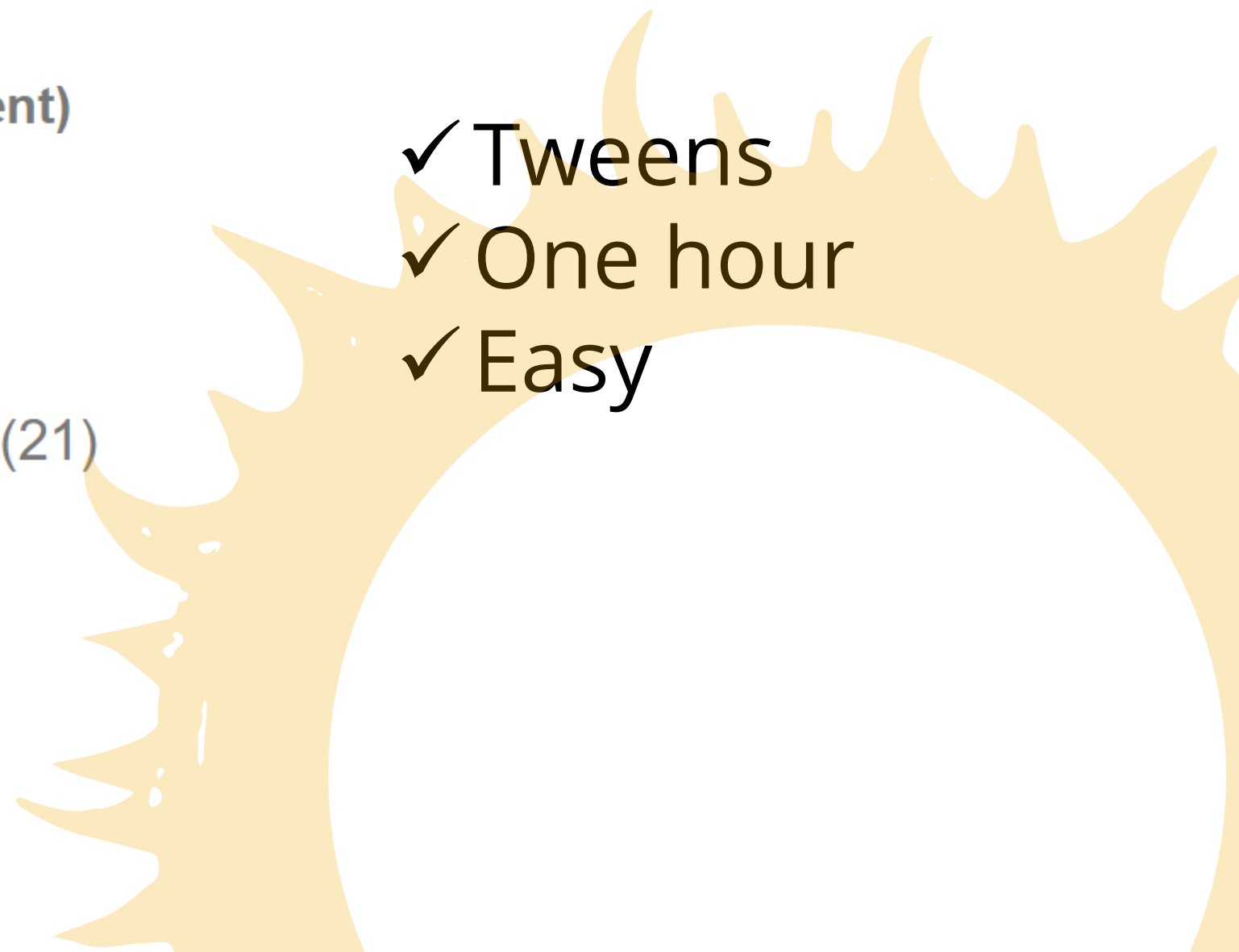
✓ One hour



### Difficulty Level (by content)

- Easy (258)
- Medium (236)
- Rocket Scientist (21)

- ✓ Tweens
- ✓ One hour
- ✓ Easy





## Additional Languages Available

Española / Spanish (37)

- ✓ Tweens
- ✓ One hour
- ✓ Easy
- ✓ Instructions in Spanish

Search



Home > Activities

**SORT**

ACTIVITIES > AGE GROUP TWEENS-9-12 > TIME TO COMPLETE ACTIVITY 40-MINUTES-TO-1-HOUR > DIFFICULTY LEVEL (BY CONTENT) EASY > ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES AVAILABLE ESPANOLA-SPANISH

There are 14 items.

Age Group

- Family (14)
- Pre-K (1)
- Early Elementary (6)
- Upper Elementary (13)
- Tweens (9-12) (14)
- Teens (2)
- All Ages (0)

Time to Complete Activity

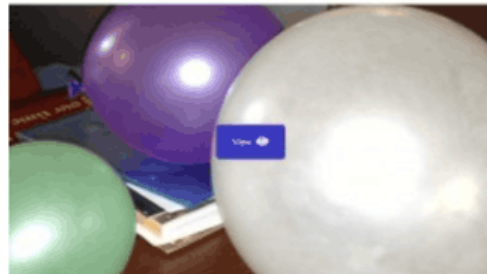
- 10-20 minutes (1)
- 20-40 minutes (4)
- 40 minutes to 1 hour (14)
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**Globos Rebotantes**

Deportes + Ingeniería = ¡Gran Diversión! La ingeniería en deportes se centra en el diseño, desarrollo y prueba de implementos deportivos, tales como las pelotas.

**Check It Out**

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**Cost associated with Activity**

**Materials**  
\$5-\$10

**Difficulty Level (by content)**

Easy

**Additional Languages Available**

Española / Spanish





[View larger](#)

## Diversión con Burbujas

¡Diviértate con Burbujas de Explora en casa!

[Open Activity](#)

[Write a review](#)

[Tweet](#)

[Share](#)

[Google+](#)

[Pinterest](#)

[Send to a friend](#)

[Print](#)

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40 minutes to 1 hour

### Cost associated with Activity Materials

\$5-\$10

### Difficulty Level (by content)

Easy

### Mess Level

High

### Additional Languages Available

Española / Spanish

[Report a broken link](#)

[Categorized Incorrectly? Let us know!](#)

[RELATED PROGRAMMING RESOURCES](#)

## RELATED PROGRAMMING RESOURCES

<b>Hints for uses in your library</b>	Patrons of all ages will love experimenting with bubbles! This activity is best done outside for easy cleanup.
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# WRITE A REVIEW



## Diversión con Burbujas

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**Participants Enjoyed the Activity:**



**Participants Learned from This Activity:**



**Activity Instructions Were Clear and Easy to Follow:**



**Would Recommend:**



**Title: \***

A large, stylized sun graphic is positioned on the left side of the page. It features a bright yellow circular center and a jagged, orange-red outer edge that resembles a sun's rays or a gear-like pattern. The background is a solid, light yellow color with a subtle, textured pattern.

# ACTIVITY: PASSION FOR PIXELS



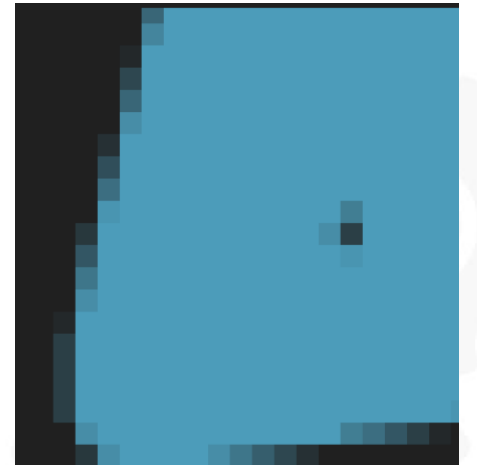
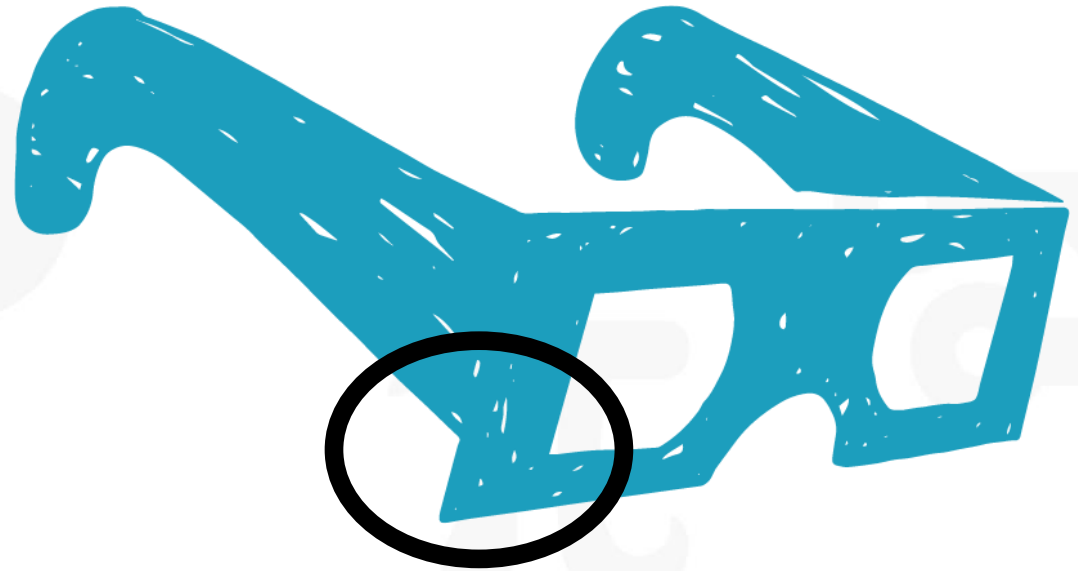
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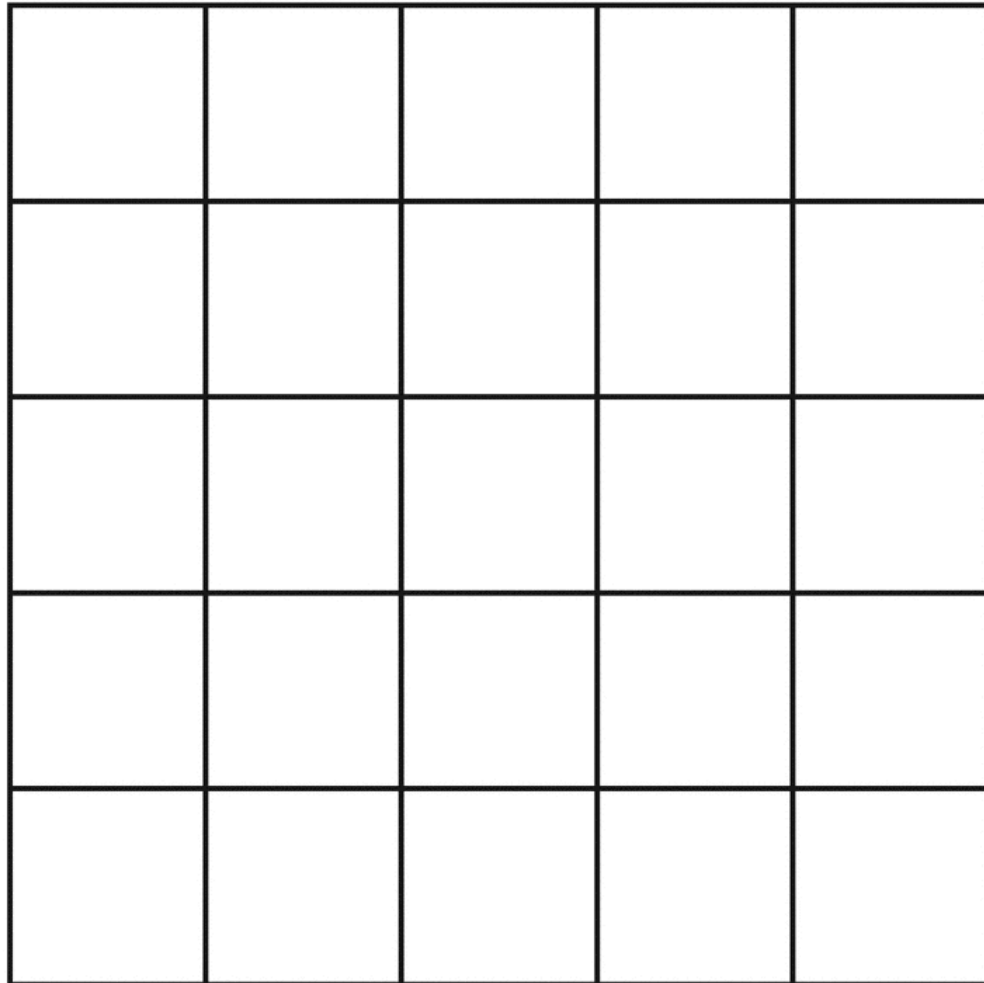
- Explore binary coding by “transmitting” a picture from yourself to a partner
- Materials
  - Two paper grids (paper grids or hand-drawn grids)
  - Writing instrument



# Passion for Pixels

- Digital images are made of **picture elements** (pixels)
- The ratio of pixels to area of the image determines the resolution (clarity) of the image
- 300 dpi – printed images
- 72 dpi – digital images





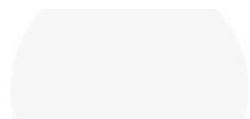
- Pick a “transmitter” and “receiver”
- The transmitter tells the receiver the image in binary code
- “0” for empty square
- “1” for filled square
- This is binary coding!




## Important tips

- Determine order of transmission
- Left to right? Right to left?
- Does a new line start on the same side you began on or wrap around?

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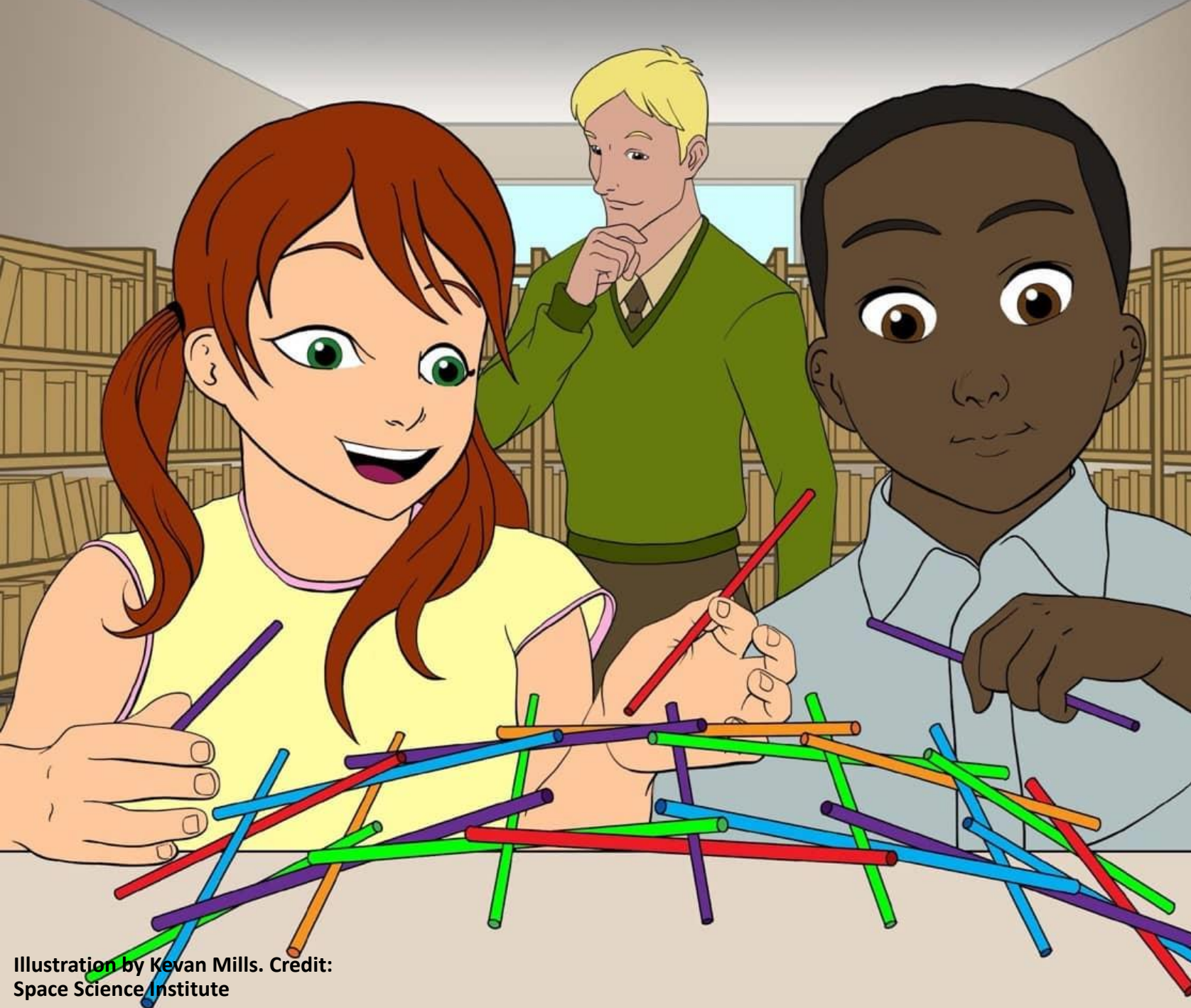


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1	0	0	0	1
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# STEAM FACILITATION STRATEGIES



***What do you notice about this image?***

***Guide on the Side***





**“Guide on the Side”  
Strategies for Your STEAM Programs**

Credit: Space Science Institute





# Strategy 1

Create a safe learning environment



I don't know...let's  
find out together!








That is an interesting thought!  
How did you come up with it?



# Strategy 2

Open-ended questions





What do you notice?  
Can you tell me more?

What does  
this remind  
you of?



# Strategy 3















Let's take another look

















**What did you observe?**





## Strategy 3: Wait Time

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Wait approximately 5 seconds after asking a question.

Respond to someone who took longer to form his or her thoughts.

Gives time for learners to think about and articulate their ideas.

# Strategy 4

Turn and talk





Please turn and tell your family member or friend your ideas.







“Help each other figure this out. Take your time. I will come back in a few minutes to see how you’re doing.”



# Strategy 5

Hands-on activities





Have you tried any of these facilitation strategies in your organization?

1. Create a Safe Learning Environment
2. Open-Ended Questions
3. 5-Second Wait Time
4. Turn and Talk
5. Hands-on Activities



# Free Additional Resources

500+ STEAM Activities for Public Libraries

[clearinghouse.starnetlibraries.org](https://clearinghouse.starnetlibraries.org)

STAR Net Online Community

[community.starnetlibraries.org/](https://community.starnetlibraries.org/)

Eclipses in Fiction (books, music, art, videos)

[www.fraknoi.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Resources-Connecting-Eclipses-and-Other-Fields.pdf](https://www.fraknoi.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Resources-Connecting-Eclipses-and-Other-Fields.pdf)

#STEMInLib Videos

[youtube.com/starnetlibraries](https://youtube.com/starnetlibraries)

Booklet for Librarians and Library Patrons

[bit.ly/eclipsesforlibraries](https://bit.ly/eclipsesforlibraries)

NASA's Night Sky Network

[nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov/](https://nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov/)

NASA's Solar System Ambassadors

[solarsystem.nasa.gov/solar-system-ambassadors/events/](https://solarsystem.nasa.gov/solar-system-ambassadors/events/)

Getting Started with SEAL

[community.starnetlibraries.org/get-started-with-seal/](https://community.starnetlibraries.org/get-started-with-seal/)

NASA Eclipses website

[solarsystem.nasa.gov/eclipses](https://solarsystem.nasa.gov/eclipses)

American Astronomical Society Eclipse website

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What ideas do  
you have to use  
all these  
resources?







QUESTIONS?



SESSION  
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