

Lunar Eclipse

People have been fascinated by lunar (Moon) eclipses for ages. For a time, the full Moon seems to disappear as it changes color, darkens, and then reappears. Throughout time, people have had different ideas about what causes a lunar eclipse. Here are some of their ideas:

- A** A nearby planet passes between the Earth and the Moon.
- B** The Sun passes between the Earth and the Moon.
- C** The Moon passes between the Sun and the Earth.
- D** The Earth passes between the Sun and the Moon.
- E** The clouds block out the Moon.
- F** A nearby planet's shadow falls on the Moon.
- G** The Moon's shadow falls on the Earth.
- H** The Moon turns to the dark side and then back to the light side.

Check off the idea you think best explains what causes a lunar (Moon) eclipse. Explain your thinking about lunar eclipses.

