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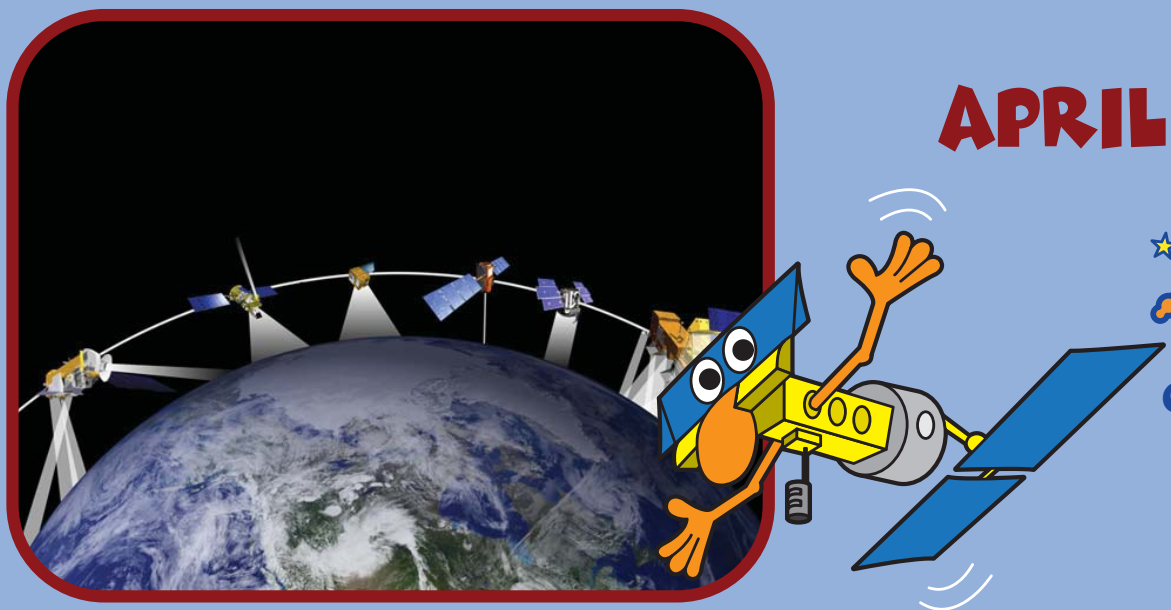
NASA Space Place CALENDAR



This "train" of Earth observing satellites is called the "A-train." They orbit together. They each take different measurements of the ocean, land, clouds, ice, and atmosphere. Play "Missions to Planet Earth" at spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/earth/card-game.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
National Humor Month. Read the little book *The First Annual Planet Awards*. Planets can be pretty funny when they compete.					1 **April Fool's Day.** You might be fooled by some of the inventions in our What's Older? game.	2
3 **National Find a Rainbow Day.** You won't find a rainbow of colors in a laser, though. Find out why not. NEW MOON	4 **National Reading a Road Map Day.** Try the Vec—>Touring game, where you navigate one little part of the journey at a time.	5	6	7	8	9
10 **Encourage a Young Writer Day.** Ever been inspired by a brilliant blue sky or a starry black sky? Write about it in this activity.	11 FIRST QUARTER	12 **First space shuttle was launched,** 1981. They have carried most of the International Space Station to orbit. Can you spot the Space Station?	13	14	15 **Leonardo da Vinci** was born this day in 1452. Ever wonder how most inventors do their work?	16
17	18 FULL MOON	19 **Humorous Day.** You will truly test your friends' sense of humor when you give them the Robot Puzzle to solve.	20	21 **Kindergarten Day.** If you know a kindergartener, show him or her The Space Place coloring book, online or printed.	22 **Earth Day.** You will find a treasure trove of games and fun facts on our Earth page.	23
24 **Astronomy Day.** Listen to a Dr. Marc Podcast and learn more about our Milky Way galaxy, including how it got its name.	25 LAST QUARTER	26	27 **Tell a Story Day.** Read a couple of the storybooks on The Space Place, then make up your own story about space!	28	29	30

Month of April: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/storybooks/#planetawards
Apr. 1: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/galex/whats_older
Apr. 3: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/laser
Apr. 4: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/st7/vectouring
Apr. 10: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/educators/teachers_page2.shtml#bluesky
Apr. 12: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/educators/teachers_page2.shtml#orbits
Apr. 15: spaceplace.nasa.go v/en/educators/teachers_page2.shtml#history
Apr. 19: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/robots/robot_puzzle.shtml
Apr. 21: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/coloring_book
Apr. 22: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/cs_earth.shtml
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