

## The Never-Ending Spinning Earth

Have you ever watched the Sun travel across the sky on a warm summer day? Or, what about watch the setting Sun and the arrival of the Moon at night? Did you know that what causes the Sun to appear in the morning, travel across our sky, and disappear at night is because the Earth **rotates** on its **axis**? That's right! The Earth **rotates** on its axis just like a spinning top. And, it takes **24 hours** for the Earth to make one full **rotation**. If you were living in Space, you would see one half of the Earth that is really dark and one half of the Earth that is really bright. The people living in the dark part would be experiencing **night**. But, they shouldn't worry, because the Earth will continue **rotating**, and they will soon move into the brightness and it will be **daytime**.

