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The plains of the Moon are covered by a thin layer of sandy, powdery rock. These plains don’t reflect the rays of the Sun very well. But the highlands are covered by many, many rocks that reflect light much better. The combination of powdery plains, rocky highlands and large craters creates different kinds of patterns. These patterns can be seen from Earth especially when the moon is full and bright.

Some people think that the patterns we see when the Moon is full look like a man’s face. Since the Moon does not rotate we always see the same side of it with the same pattern. Because of this, people living on Earth have been looking at the “man in the Moon” and he’s been looking at us for a very, very long time.

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