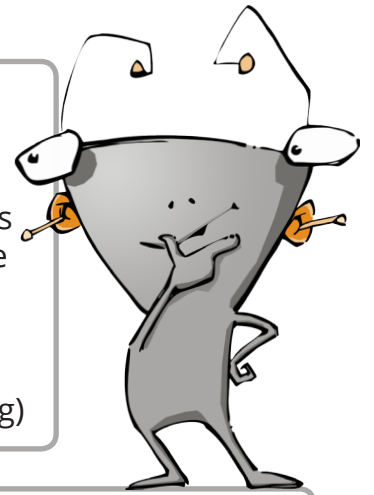
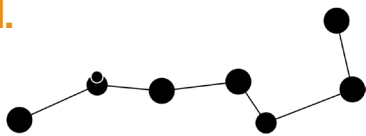


# StarFinds – Name that Constellation!

Here are 6 constellations from StarDisc – without their names. Do this activity at StarDisc. Hunt for the constellation shapes and write down their names. We've included a fact for each one (and when to look for it).

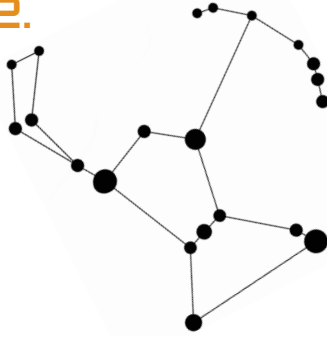


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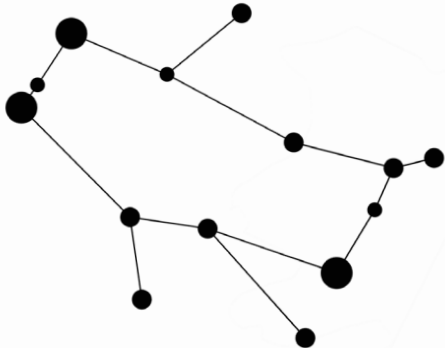
This famous shape is actually not a constellation, but is one part of a bigger constellation. (All year)

**2.**



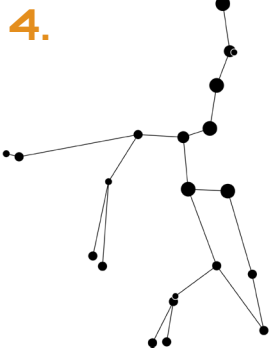
Most people learn how to spot this constellation's 'belt' first. The red star at the armpit is Betelgeuse. (Winter/spring)

**3.**



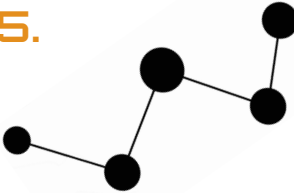
This constellation contains 2 mythical brothers. (Spring/early summer)

**4.**



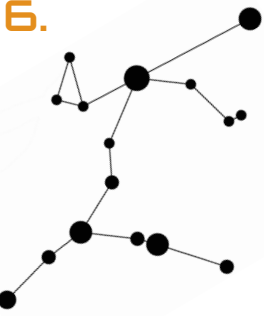
This constellation contains one of the most famous sky-shapes of all. (All year)

**5.**



In autumn and winter, look for a faint misty patch in the sky below the big V of this W-shaped constellation. That's Andromeda galaxy – the next galaxy beyond our Milky Way. It is roughly 25,000,000,000,000,000,000 km (15,000,000,000,000,000,000 miles) away – 2.5 million light years! (Autumn/winter)

**6.**



The nose of this constellation is Sirius, the brightest star in the UK night sky. (Winter/spring)

### Your Answers

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>1.</b> _____ | <b>2.</b> _____ |
| <b>3.</b> _____ | <b>4.</b> _____ |
| <b>5.</b> _____ | <b>6.</b> _____ |



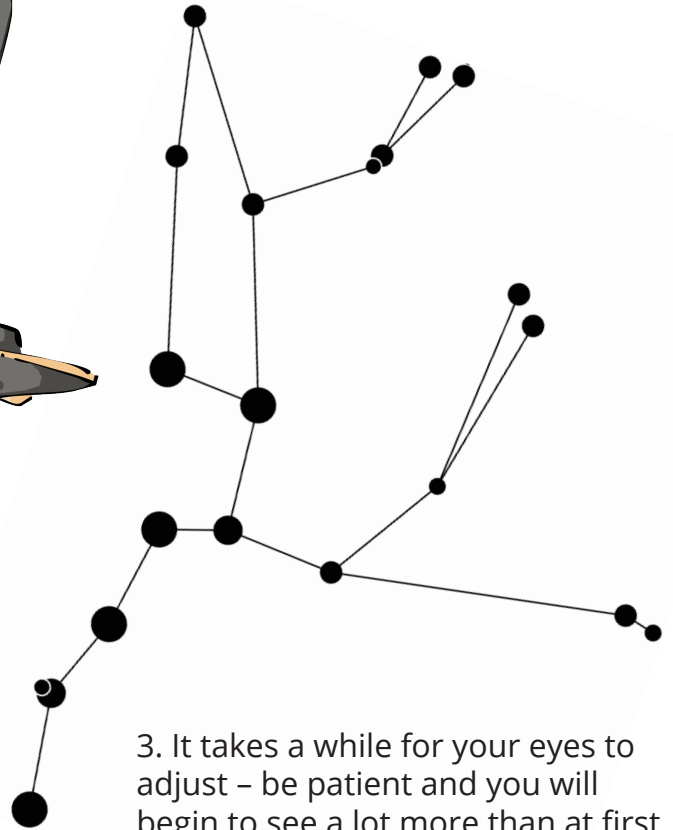
## What's More...

If you go out at night to look for these, remember:

1. Some of them are only visible at some times of year.



2. They might be at a different angle in the sky to the one you see on this page (e.g. on their sides or upside down, compared to these drawings).



3. It takes a while for your eyes to adjust – be patient and you will begin to see a lot more than at first glance, even without a telescope or binoculars.

**There are loads of websites and Apps to help you spot stars and constellations. Check out our Explore More! web page for a few ideas to start with.**