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The Literary Astronomer

Worksheet · Grades 9+



Comprehension Questions

1. What significant discovery did the Director of the Observatory claim to have made?
2. How much money did the Astronomer initially ask for his account of the discovery?
3. What was the Editor's response to the Astronomer's request for payment?
4. What did the Astronomer realize he had neglected to do before submitting his manuscript?
5. What moral lesson can be derived from the interaction between the Astronomer and the Editor?

Vocabulary Exercise

Match the words on the left with their correct definitions on the right.

Word	Definition
1. Observatory	A. A person who writes for a publication
2. Refractor	B. A device used to observe celestial objects
3. Manuscript	C. A written document submitted for publication
4. Editor	D. A telescope that uses lenses
5. Correction	E. An act of making something accurate or right

Writing/Reflection Task

Reflect on the story and answer the following questions. Use the lines provided to write your responses.

1. What do you think the story teaches about the value of one's work?

2. How does the interaction between the Astronomer and the Editor illustrate the concept of communication in professional settings?

3. Can you think of a time when you had to negotiate or clarify your worth in a situation? Share your thoughts below.

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