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## What Is A Meteor?

### Short Answer

1. Describe the origin of most meteors and how they enter Earth's atmosphere.
2. What is the difference between a typical meteor and a fireball?
3. Explain how meteor showers are related to comets and why they result in a spectacular display of meteors.
4. Why do people make wishes upon shooting stars, and what is the history behind this tradition?
5. What valuable scientific information can be obtained from studying meteorites found on Earth?

