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Mr. Samuel Shenton
International Flat Earth Society
Dover, England

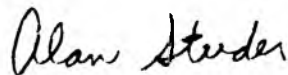
Dear Mr. Shenton;

We have recently read with great interest an article about you and the Flat Earth Society. Our seventh grade general science classes have compiled a list of questions we would like to confront you with concerning your theory about a flat earth. A reply from you would be greatly appreciated. A self addressed envelope is included. Thank you.

The questions are as follows:

1. When there is an eclipse of the moon, why is there a circular shadow on the moon?
2. How do you explain night and day?
3. How do you explain seasonal changes?
4. How did Magellan sail around the world?
5. Why doesn't the whole world have daylight at once?
6. Where is the cut-off point off the world?
7. Explain a ship "sinking" in the horizon as it leaves.

Sincerely yours



Alan Studer
Bedford East Jr. High School
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U.S.A.

1419 Gladstone
Sheridan, Wyo.
USA

Mr. Sam Shenton
24 London Road
Bouer, England

10 APR 1967

Dear Sir,

I am very interested in
your theory of the earth being
flat! I would like to have
you send me some of your
literature on this subject.

I am also going to ask you some
questions, which I will enclose,
that I hope you will have
time to answer!

I will enclose a self addressed
envelope that will be stamped.
Please answer soon.

Thank-you very much for
your time and effort!

Sincerely yours,
Beverly Sturdevant
1419 Gladstone
Sheridan, Wyoming
USA

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10 APR

1. How do you account for the fact that a person can start at one point on earth & sail directly back to that point without taking or retracing the path that took them from that point?
2. How do you account for the fact that the astronauts have seen the earth in the shape of a sphere?
3. Why has no one ever fallen off of the edge of this flat earth?
4. Why hasn't this theory been brought up before?

I am very anxious to hear from you!

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I. R. KERSHAW

Dear Sir,

You may be pleased to hear that
I am giving a lecture to a group of students
on the subject of the Flat Earth Theory.

I have gone through my notes thoroughly
and there are still one or two loopholes

I would therefore be grateful if you
could send me some literature on this
subject discussing all the arguments against
the spherical earth theory.

Yours faithfully
I. R. Kershaw

(ME.)

50, Claremont Rd,
London N.6.
Dear Sir,

25th May 67.

I have just unearthed
a newspaper-cutting
concerning you and your
society, which I had kept
from last Summer.

I would very much
like to join the Cause ~
as it is obvious to me
that the Earth is quite
flat, and too many, in my
opinion, suffer under the
delusion that things are
otherwise.

I am a 16 yr. old ^(this summer)
studying Science for A-levels
(which I will fail miserably)
and I have not as yet

managed to convert our
Physicks master to "Flat-
Earth" thinking; in fact
he was even offended at
my suggestions.

Until we can persuade
the masses of the Truth
philosophy will suffer, and
'Till that day I will work
faithfully to this end.

Incidentally, I actively
further other causes of
similar (in my opinion)
importance to Mankind,
such as my attempted
reversal of the present sad
neglected of the colour,
bright-yellow, an integr-
ally peaceful and
beautiful colour, and to

This end I frequently wear yellow clothes and yellow flowers (esp. daffodils when in season) and I have never recieved anything but goodwill ; so I feel so far I have, in this respect, succeeded in the promotion of beauty and love toward others.

I must thus conclude, and return to my books with their futile proofs of phenomena relating to a spherical earth.

Hoping very much that you will consider my application for membership of the Flat-Earth Society, yours very sincerely,
Alastair Sutherland

1967

Dear Mr. Shenton,

Read your article in the paper about a first earth. I disagree with you for I believe it flat, some where we would have to fall off. God tells us in the Bible it is round so I believe my God. He can not lie. - Are you saved & do you know if your destination is heaven if not I would be mistaken. I am studying the Bible & I find Jesus as my personal Saviour & he died to pay for my sins & set me free & make me his child. Have you ever read, None of These Deceivers, by Katherine Kuhlman. They are great. Enclosed

will not do it. "You must be BORN AGAIN."
(John 3:7.)

As at physical birth you receive life which you never possessed before, so, by the NEW BIRTH you receive Life which you never possessed before even in the most minute degree. By physical birth we become partakers of the human nature, by being BORN AGAIN we become "partakers of the Divine nature." (II Pet. 1:4.) The Second Birth is not an improvement of the old nature, it is the imparting of a NEW nature — entirely NEW. The old nature is unimproved and



you will find a few things
please read them as much as
more important than worrying
about whether the earth is
flat or round. May God
give you his direction &
lead you to learn of Him.

A friend in Christ.
Glenn Sykes
5469 Broadway
Cleveland 34 Ohio.

Have you ever gone to see
Billy Graham when he was
in England. If he ever
comes back do we want to
hear his message. Take this Bible
& as God in Jesus name
to teach you. We are here
such a short time but will
live in Heaven or Hell forever.

10-30-66

S. Stanton Esq.
President: Flat Earth Society
24 London Road
Dover, Kent

Sir:

By my request I obtained your address from a British friend. I am interested in your organization and I am interested in joining. Would you please send details of your organization and details pertaining to membership.

Sincerely
Joseph Satal
Rt. 3, Box 95
Lawrence, Kansas

Mary W. Salgo

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Dear Mr. Chenton

My friend, Mr. Wil Hudson
of 323 Cambie Street Vancouver 3
British Columbia, has been trying
for some time to locate your
society as he is interested in it.

I saw the programme last
week on television in which you
were interviewed by Pierre Berton
and your name and address "Dora"

Sept. 17, 1966

DEAR SIR,

I recently read a newspaper article about your society and their contradiction of the U.S. Astronaut's first-hand observations that the earth is round.

I would be very interested in receiving some information about the formation, history, and underlying theories of the Flat Earth Society.

Admittedly, this request is more out of curiosity than because I have any doubts whatsoever that the earth is round, but any information would be appreciated. Thank you for your consideration.

20 SEP 1966

Yours Doubtfully,

DAVID SEPP

HARVARD SARNOFF
1845 Ocean Ave.
Brooklyn 30, N.Y.

4 OCT 1966

September 30, 1966

Mr. Sam Shenton
International Flat Earth Society
Dover, England

Dear Sir:

I have been following the work of your society with great interest. If possible, I would like to join or failing that, would like to form a branch of your society in New York. It is quite obvious to me that the Earth is flat. However, I have a lot of difficulty persuading others. If you have any pertinent information (which I'm sure you have) regarding your claims please forward them to me. I'd like nothing better than to show up those people who insist the Earth is round.

Yours sincerely,
Harvard Sarnoff

23 SEP 1966

Leon Sayke
R.R. 1 Alden, 56009
Minnesota
U.S.A.

Dear Members:

I was very interested when I read
an article in the paper about your society.
It sounds like a very deeply studied
area of thought. I would like you to
send me any essays or brochures you might
have. If I receive enough information I
will make it a project for History. It
would be ~~very~~ interesting how you explain
things like gravity, photographs and other
natural things that might enter in the
doubt of the class.

Thank you very much for the information
you are sending. I will appreciate it
imensely

Sincerely,
Leon Sayke
R.R. 1 Alden
Minnesota
56009
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Stanton, 1966

I am very interested in your Society's theories. I have always gone along with the accepted theory that the earth is round. But, after reading of your beliefs, I'm not so sure. But there are some things that puzzle me. If the earth is flat, that means someone could fall off it at a certain point. Has anyone you know fallen off yet? (I hope not) What do you think happens when they do? I agree with your opinions on what the astronauts saw, but they did take pictures, and many orbiting cameras have taken pictures at different levels. Could the angles

Have affected the camera?

Please send me some more

information on your society

beliefs, (preferably diagrams) as

I can make up my mind

which theory is correct.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Schenberg

4615 Juma Rd.

Baltimore, Maryland

U. S. A.

27 SEP 1966

1 Petre Drive
Auburn New York
Sept 20, 1966

Dear Mr Shenton

I am very interested in
Britains Flat Earth Society, I would
appreciate it very much if you
would send me all the information
on this subject.

Sincerely
Cindy Schell

27 SEP 1966

SEPT 14, 1966
167 LAUREL DRIVE
WOOD-RIDGE, NEW JERSEY
U.S.A. 07075

DEAR MISTER SHENTON,

I HATE LIKE HELL TO DISAGREE
WITH ANYONE OF GOOD STANDING, LIKE YOU
SEEM TO BE. BUT I MUST SAY, THAT YOU ARE
COMPLETELY WRONG IN YOUR OBSERVATION THAT
THIS EARTH OF OURS IS FLAT. MATHEMATICIANS,
AND COMPUTERS HAVE PROVED THAT THE EARTH
IS ROUND. I WOULD LIKE TO TRY AND PROVE TO YOU
THAT THE EARTH IS ROUND, THROUGH SOME DIAGRAMS.

NOW, IF THE EARTH WAS FLAT, AT SOMETIME
DURING THE DAY, ITS EDGE WOULD BE TOWARD THE
SUN. THIS WOULD CAUSE BOTH SIDES OF THE EARTH
TO HAVE LIGHT, WOULD IT NOT? THE EARTH IS
NEVER LIT ON BOTH SIDES THOUGH. HOW DOES
THAT GRAB YOU?

PLEASE REPLY.

SINCERELY,
GARY SCHNEBERGER
AGE 15

21 SEP 1966

SUN

SUN'S
RAYS

RAKS

EAST

NORTH
POLE

IF EARTH WAS FLAT ^{WEST} THIS IS WHAT IT WOULD PROBABLY
LOOK LIKE FROM A SIDE VIEW.

21 SEP 1966

CHECK THE ONE WITH THE TRAVEL BAG
THAT SAYS "FLY... L.S.D."



September 22, 1966

4 OCT 1966

Dear Mrs. Shenton,

I read your article in the paper and we also discussed it in our History class. We were studying Columbus and were talking about the thoughts of the people that the earth is flat. Will you please answer these questions and send me any information about your society.

First of all if the earth was flat what is on the other side? If the earth is flat where do we get night and day and also the seasons? And why can we not see all the continents at the same time? And also why haven't there been reports of ship going over the edge? What do you base your answers on.

Susan
Schneider

Dear Sir,

On a radio station I heard
someone talking about your
organization and I was wondering
if you could send me as much
information concerning the concept
of the world being flat.

Thank you for your aid.

Sincerely,

20 SEP 1966

Joanne Schulze
2832 - 37th Street
Two Rivers, Wisconsin
USA.

17 OCT 1966

On The Green
Verbank New York
Oct 13, 1966

Dear Sir:

I was told about the
planet that Society and would like
to know something about it.

All we know is that your
group says there a flat Earth.

Yours Truly,
Louise Sebeth

17 OCT 1966

Dear Sirs.

22 SEP 1966

I am interested in your theory that the Earth is flat instead of round. Could you please send me some information on your club and its theory.

Sincerely

Gary Sulwitz
RD #3 Box 44

NEW FOUNDLAND, NEW JERSEY

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U.S.A.

Edward Sharratt
Box 2661, Terminal "A"
London, Ontario
CANADA
15 February 1966

Mr. Samuel Shenton, Secretary
Flat Earth Society
24, London Road
Dover, ENGLAND

Dear Mr. Shenton:

Recently I had the pleasure hearing you speak on television with Pierre Berton about your theories on the shape of the earth and heavens. I have heard of your society before but this was the first opportunity I have ever had to learn anything at all about it.

I must say you have an intriguing point of view. Since the half-hour broadcast was hardly long enough to fully grasp its import, have you possibly published any literature or charts which explain everything fully which I might purchase please. I hope you can find a moment while answering your other correspondence to consider my inquiry too. Enclosed is an APOGRAMME for your convenience.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Edward Sharratt

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13 OCT 1966

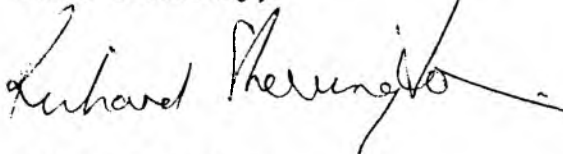
Dear Mr Shenton,

I am writing to thank you for your help in compiling my training programme on the concept of a flat earth. It was only intended as an exercise in television technique, and therefore I used those examples which were most easily visualised. The direct observation experiments used by the nineteenth-century writers came over very well, and your own explanation of the satellite photographs. It was a pity that the limited scope of the programme did not allow me to make use of your weather map information.

One result has been a very lively discussion here among many people who have never considered the subject before, nor the feasibility of an alternative explanation. If it has done nothing else, the programme has made them re-examine the evidence for themselves, and I think that you yourself would hope for little more than this.

Once again let me thank you for taking up your time on my behalf, and I am sending you a cheque for two guineas from the Centre for Educational Television.

Yours sincerely,



R.W.Sherrington.

13 OCT 1966

Recd:
Shenton
23/10/66

12 OCT 1966

10 Westgate Terrace
Rochester, N.Y., U.S.A.
September 29, 1966

Dear Mr. Shenton,

Recently my local newspaper, the Democrat and Chronicle (Rochester), carried an article concerning your explanation of the concept of a flat earth as related to U.S. Astronauts Conrad and Gordon's space journey of a few weeks ago.

Although unconvinced, I was fascinated by your theories and by the idea of a "Flat Earth Society" in general. Consequently, I was wondering whether it would be possible for you to send me any booklets or pamphlets the Society may publish, and information about the origin, purposes and membership regulations of the Flat Earth Society. Anything you send would be appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Sherry
Robert E. Sherry

Mailing Address:

10 Westgate Terrace
Rochester, New York, U.S.A. 14619