Crash Course Astronomy



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#35 - Star Clusters

1. When two stars are orbiting one another it's called
2. Astronomers think that most stars are born in groups, called
3. Loosely bound collections of stars, usually in an irregular shape, are called
4. Who was the first to record that clusters were composed of many stars?
5. In an open cluster, the stars all orbit the cluster's
6. What is the typical diameter of an open cluster?
7. What is the typical distance between stars in an open cluster?
8. Very few open clusters are older than roughly 50 million years because they
9. Over time which stars are "flicked out" of an open cluster?
10. Approximately how many open clusters have been observed?
11. Which famous open cluster is located about 500 light years from Earth?
12. The Pleiades appear as a collection of stars, and a lot of people call them
13. Clusters of stars forming a roughly spherical shape are called
14. How old are most globular clusters?
15. What kind of elements are found in the old stars found in globular clusters?
16. The normal stars that are left in a globular cluster are mostly