

# Adventures In The Hollow Earth



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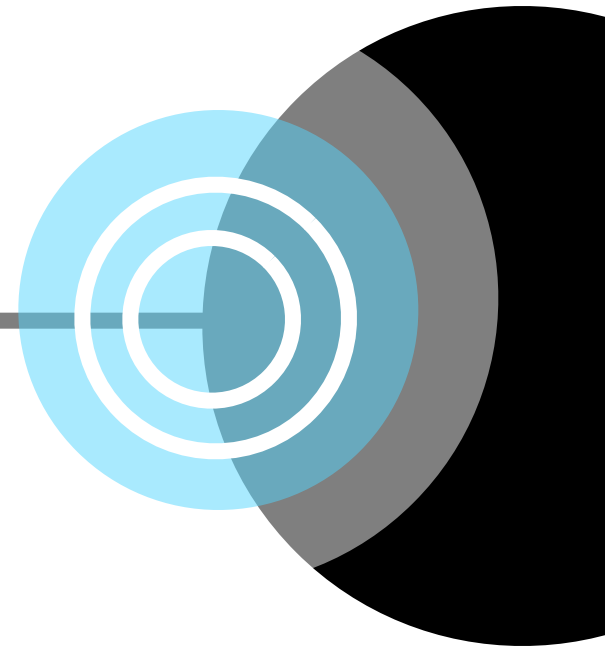
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# *Forward.*



Do you believe the Earth is hollow?

Throughout history, humans have cultivated the idea that a land exists beneath the surface. Underworlds and etheric planes, paradises and circles of damnation.

More modern theories suggest an advanced civilization may inhabit this hollow world, remnants of the fallen city of Atlantis, or perhaps even aliens.

Consider this eBook a brief overview of these ancient myths, scientific theories and esoteric claims regarding one of my favorite pillars of forteana: the Hollow Earth Theory. You don't have to believe; you just have to **remember!**

So pack your bags.

Our adventure into the Hollow Earth begins one quiet evening not too long ago...

**From the high  
desert**

and the great american  
southwest

this is coast to coast am



# Enter the Hollow.

**"February 19, 1947. Admiral Byrd traversed the hole. He no longer had to use his fuel in the plane. He was navigated, guided to the crystal cities...."**

- Dallas Thompson

My first encounter with the Hollow Earth Theory was on October 4, 2002, when Dallas Thompson appeared on Coast to Coast AM.

Thompson, 31, was a character: a legally blind personal trainer who studied under a Kahuna in Hawaii, before having a near-death experience that gave him visions of a terrible future.

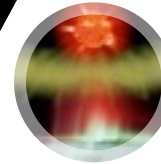
Sound odd?

You don't know the half of it.

On May 24, 2003, a film crew would follow Thompson to the North Pole.

There, he would locate a dimensional portal, originally reported by Admiral Richard E. Byrd, and descend into the center of the Earth using a modified SoloTrek personal helicopter.

He would traverse this portal and voyage into the "crystal cities of Shambhala," where he would seek shelter from the coming pole shift.



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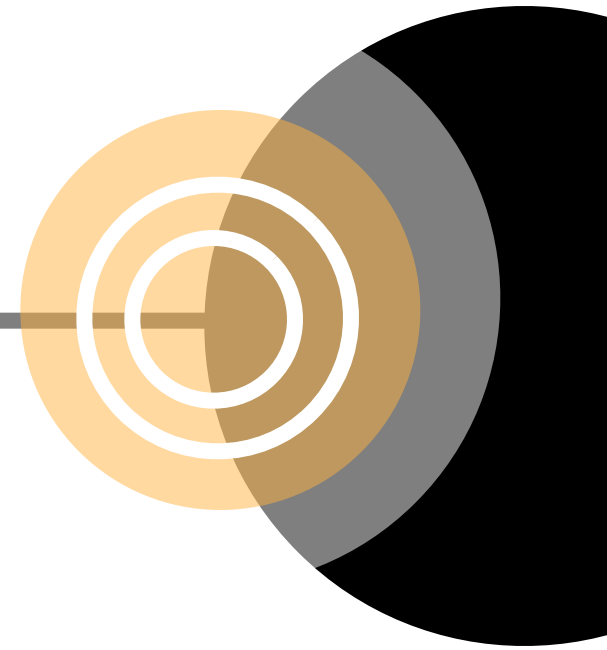
[Whatever Happened To Dallas Thompson?](#)

But Dallas Thompson wasn't the first to have visions of an inner world. In fact, he was following a legend that dated back to the dawn of mankind...

# *Ancient Myths of the Inner World.*

There have always been legends of an underworld.

Whether it be a cold, dark place of the dead, a transitional level on a spiritual ladder, or the hidden paradise of dwarves and faeries, nearly every religion and cultural mythology holds tales of a world beneath our own.





# *Mesopotamia.*

The Sumerians knew it as Kur, a "void space," or home of the dead, located between Abzu, the primeval sea, and Ma, the earth.

The Babylonians called it Irkalla, a netherworld ruled by the goddess Ereshkigal and her consort, Nergal.

Both the Sumerians and the Babylonians, as well as the Akkadians and Assyrians, told of the Anunnaki, or the "Great Gods," and of the Anunnaku, the gods of the underworld.

# Asia.

In Hinduism, the lower realm of Naraka serves as a place of torment, while, in Buddhism, it is a place of many levels, where one may be incarnated depending upon his or her karma.

The Chinese know this underworld as Diyu, and in the Shinto mythology of Japan, it is called Yomi.

Tibetan Buddhists believe in a world hidden here on Earth, somewhere in an etheric plane, called Shambhala. Others tell of an underground realm known as Agharta or Agartha.

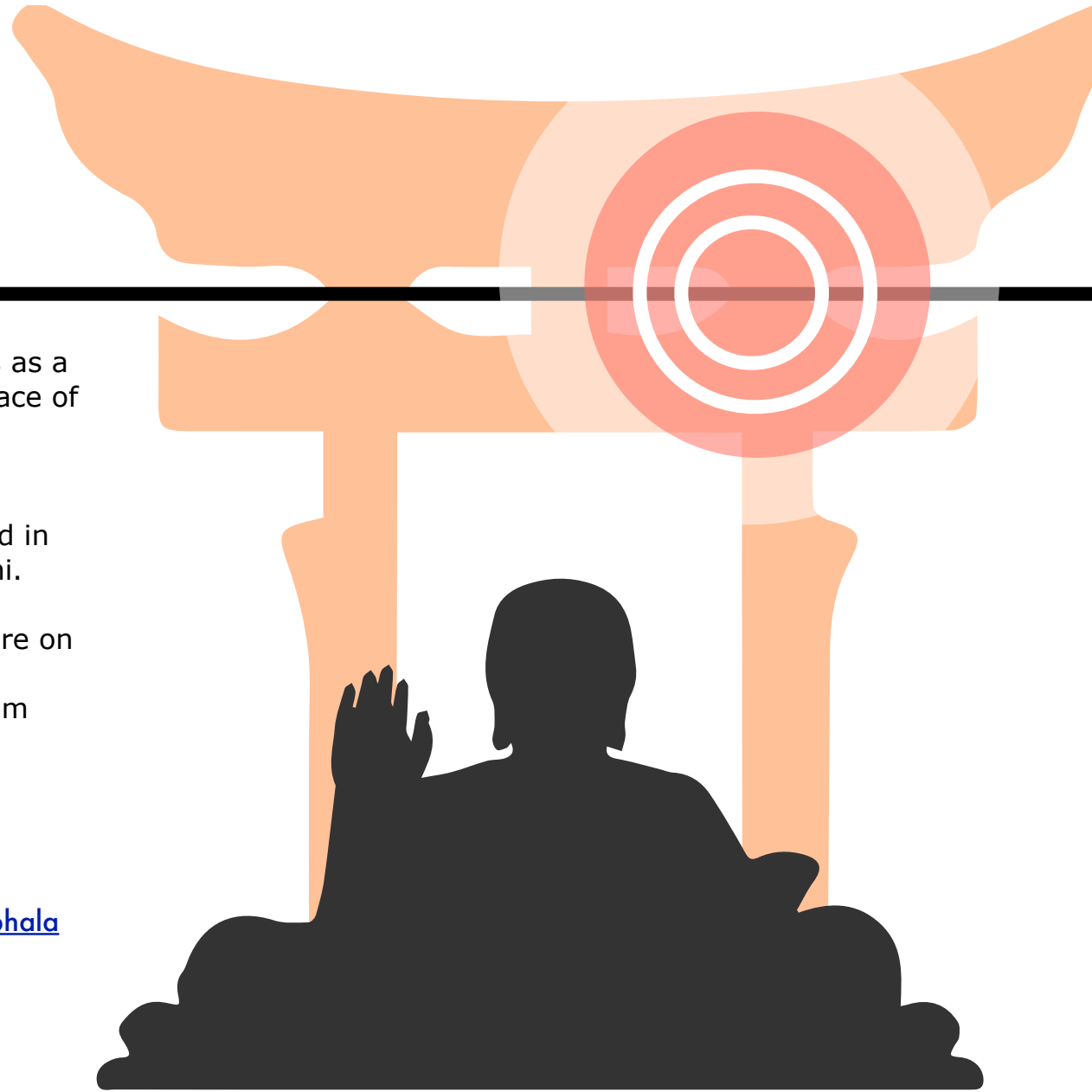


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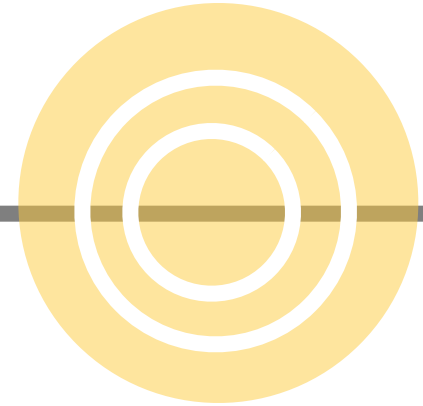


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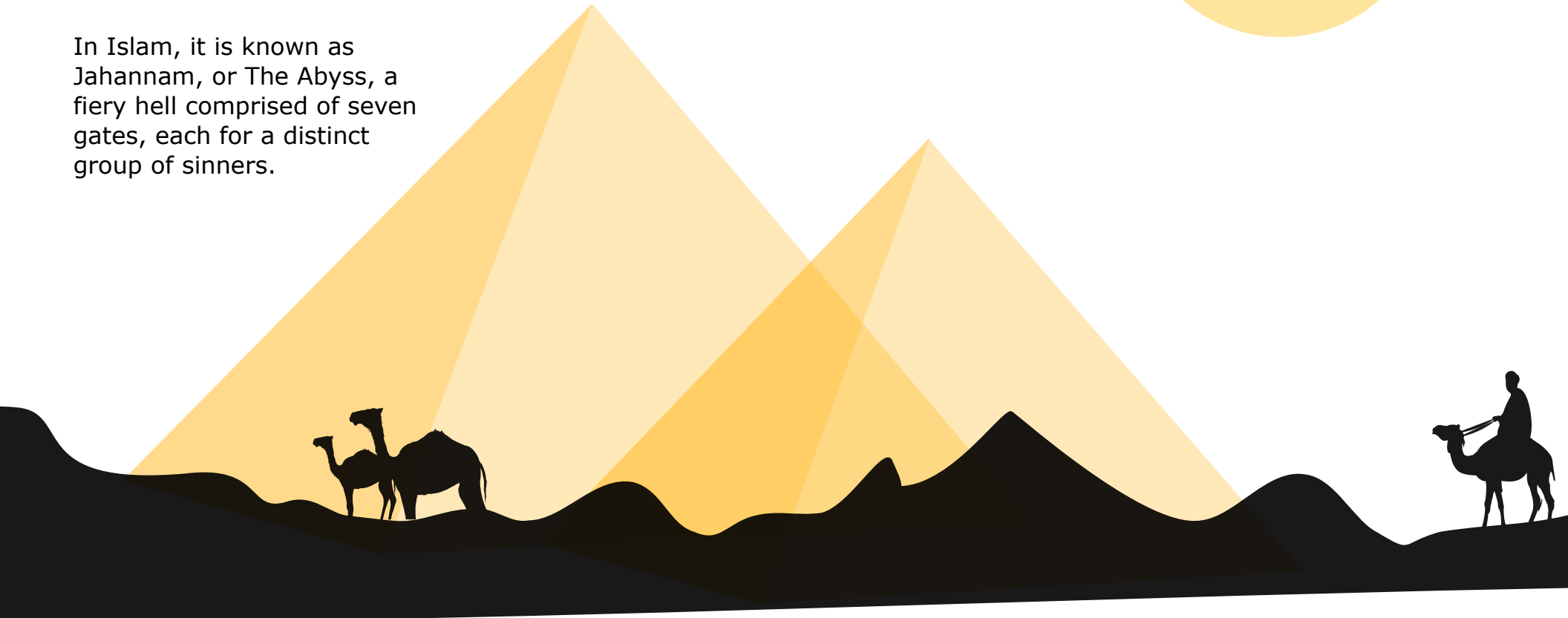


# *Egypt and the Middle East.*

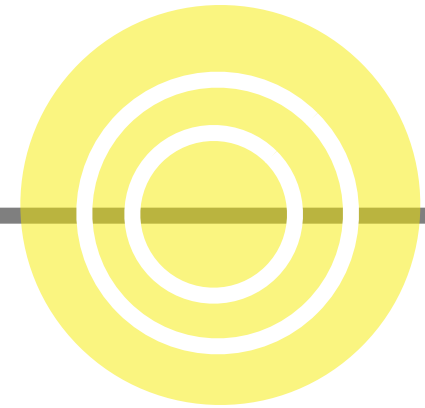


Duat, of Egyptian mythology, was a place beneath the earth where souls faced judgment. It was connected to Nun, the "watery abyss."

In Islam, it is known as Jahannam, or The Abyss, a fiery hell comprised of seven gates, each for a distinct group of sinners.



# *The Americas.*

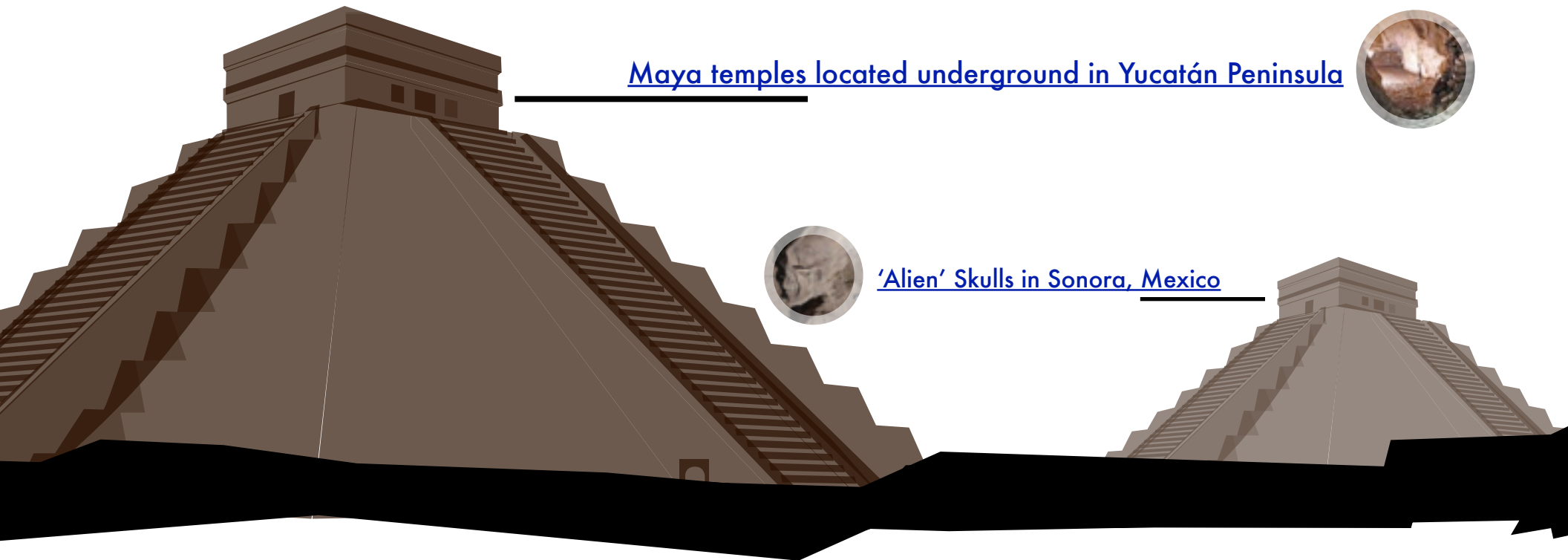


To the Aztecs, the inner world was known as Mictlan, and to the Incans, Uku Pacha. The Mayans called it Xibalba, and believed the road to their underworld lied in the Great Rift of the Milky Way.

[Maya temples located underground in Yucatán Peninsula](#)



['Alien' Skulls in Sonora, Mexico](#)



# *Ireland.*

In Celtic mythology, there exist a number of Otherworlds.

Tir na nOg, or the Land of the Ever-Young. Tir na mBeo, the Land of the Living. Mag Mell, the Delightful Plain.

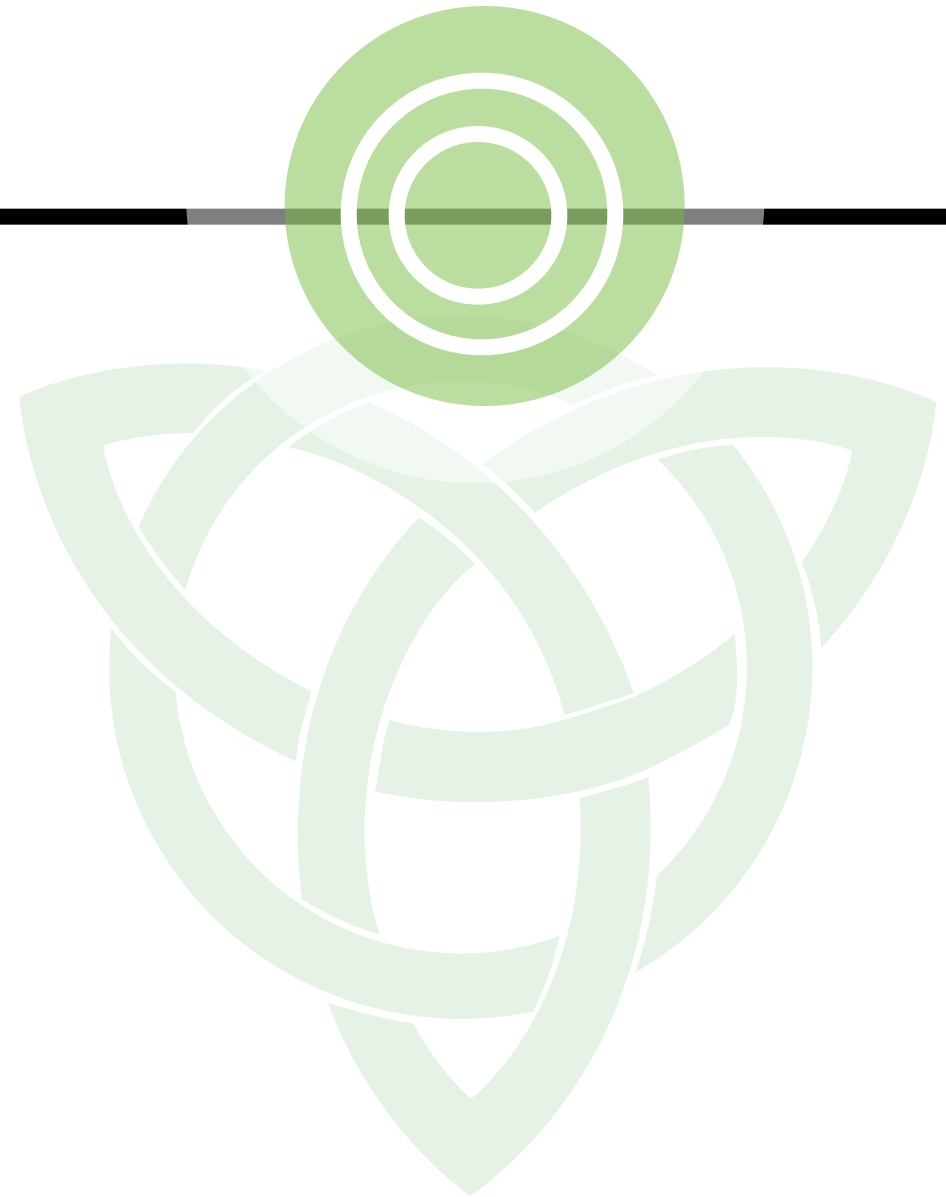
Each are inhabited by wizards, faeries and demons, ruled by the Tuatha de Danann.

And then, of course, there is Tech Duinn, the Celtic realm of the dead.



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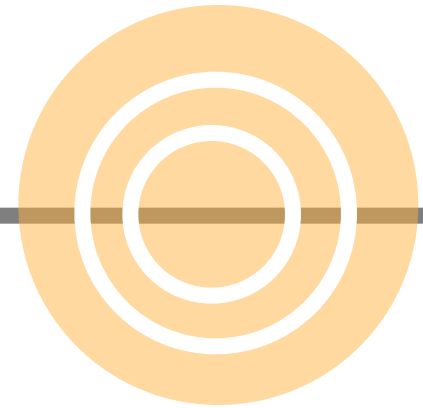
[The Otherworlds of Ireland](#)



# *Native America.*

The Hopi Indians, like many Native American tribes, also believed in a world beneath our own. Legends tell of their arrival to this world upon a silk reed, provided to them by their Spider Mother.

They emerged from below through a sipapu located in the Grand Canyon, and later returned to escape a great catastrophe on the surface.



# Western Society.

Of course, there are also the underworlds more familiar to Western societies:

The Christian Hell, the Greek and Roman Hades, and the Hebrew adobe of the dead, Sheol.



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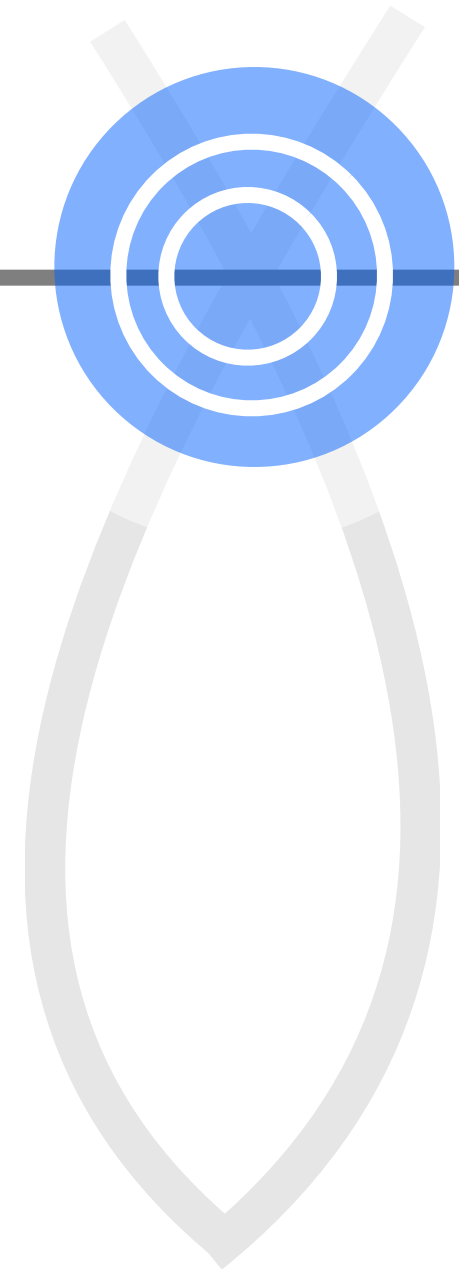
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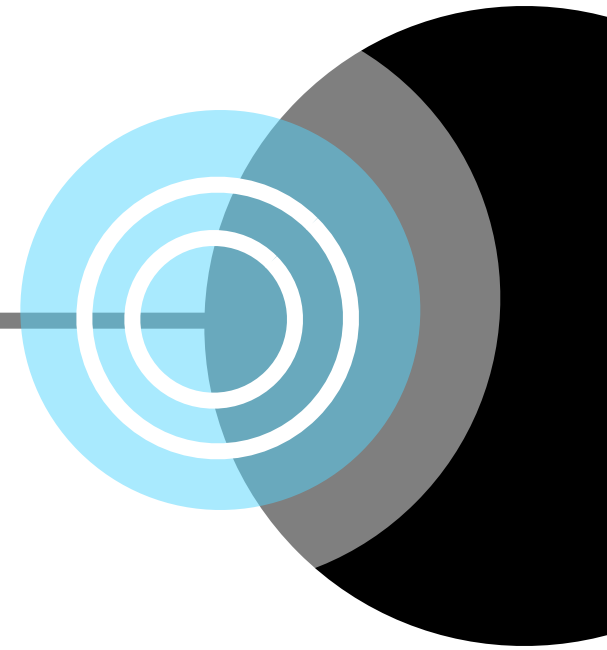
These are just a sample of the vast number of underworld beliefs and mythologies that have existed throughout human history.

The question is this: Are these nothing but myths and legends? Or could there be truth hidden beneath the veil of our ancient mythologies?

In the 1600s, new ideas challenged our traditional view of the Earth. An inner world, to some, became more than simple myth and legend...



# *Modern Theories of the Hollow Earth.*



What do we *really* know about Earth?

We've ventured into the emptiness of space, and explored the black depths of our deepest oceans. However, the land farthest from our reach does not lie in distant galaxies, but in the very ground beneath our feet.

**Everything we know about Earth's deep interior has been gathered through secondary observations here on the surface.** No *direct* observations have been made.

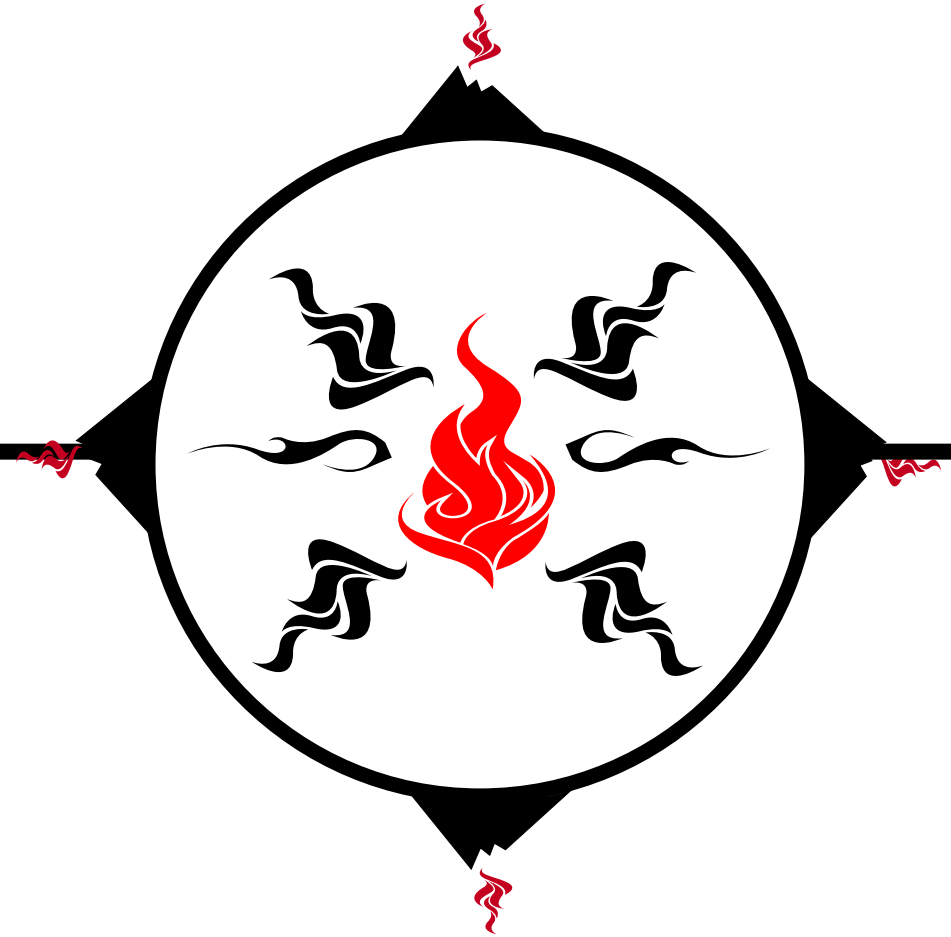
In the meantime, this has led many to posit their own theories. Some date back hundreds of years, while others are slightly more recent. Regardless, the number of scientific explanations for the composition of the inner Earth is almost as varied as the inner world's cultural mythology.

# *Athanasius Kircher*

The Jesuit scholar Athanasius Kircher envisioned an inner Earth consisting of many internal flames, pockets of fire connected by “veins” emanating from a central fireball.

These veins also led to the surface, creating volcanoes and eruptions, and shaping the form of the Earth’s crust.

He published his ideas in the *Mundus Subterraneus* in 1664.



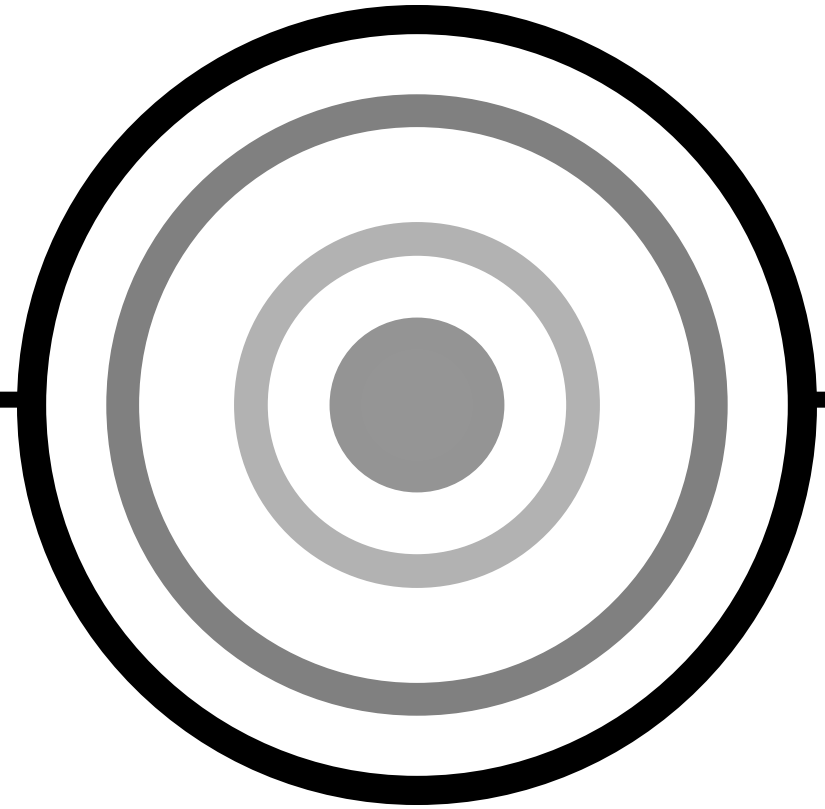
# *Edmond Halley*

In 1962, Edmond Halley, of comet fame, shared a peculiar idea with the Royal Society of London.

He sought an answer to the variations in Earth's magnetic field, and his theory was this:

The Earth was hollow, consisting of an inner core surrounded by two concentric shells, with a 500-mile-wide-thick outer shell -- the surface -- surrounding both.

Each shell would spin and have its own magnetic pole, explaining the strange variations in the magnetic field. Each shell would also have its own atmosphere, luminosity, and would perhaps even harbor life.





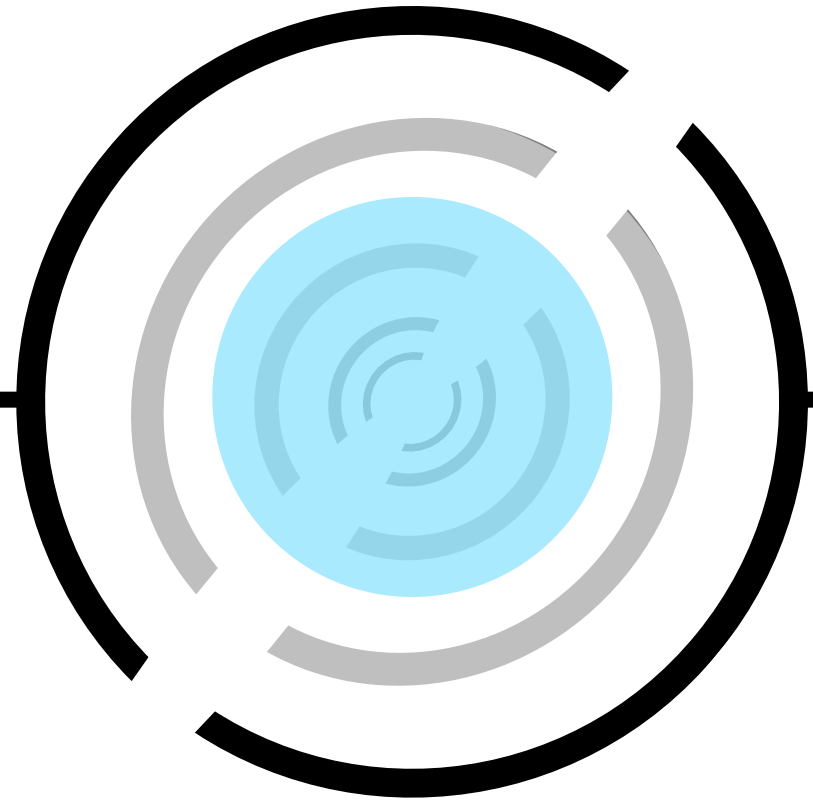
# *John Cleves Symmes, Jr.*

Captain and veteran of the War of 1812, John Cleves Symmes, Jr. may very well be responsible for many of the modern theories of the Hollow Earth, despite the fact that he is often, unfortunately, ignored.

In particular, Symmes' theory was much like Halley's, including multiple inner shells, with one caveat: he claimed there were two 2200 km openings at either pole, as well as openings at the poles of every inner shell, into which the oceans flowed.

In 1818, he began handing out pamphlets explaining his radical new theory, promoting the Hollow Earth as a place through which explorers could enter and claim new land.

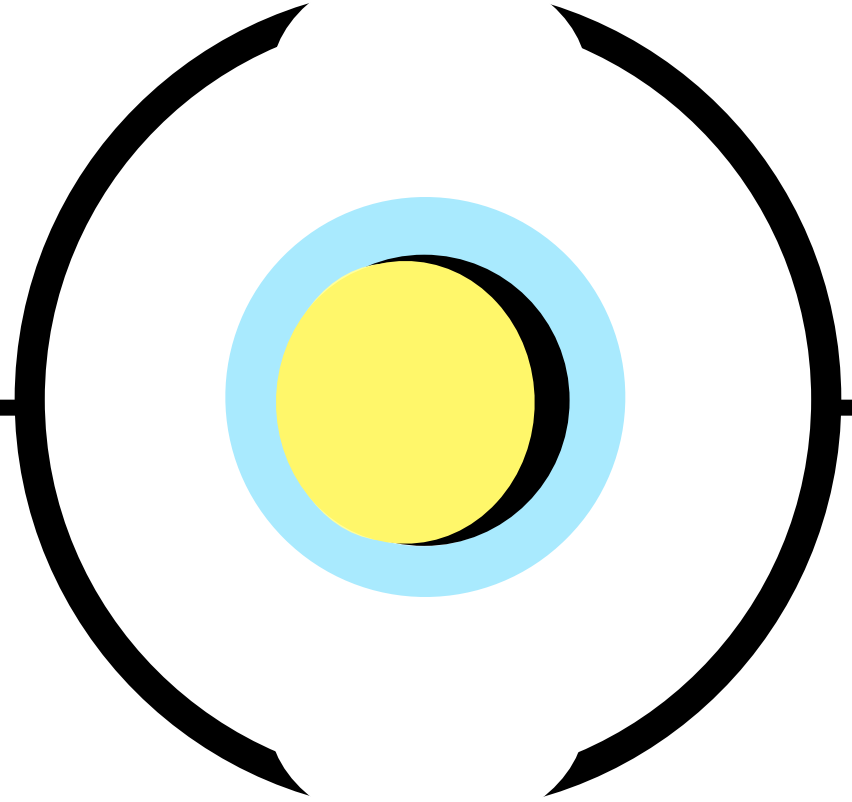
Symmes proposed several expeditions to the poles, one of which was strongly considered by then-President John Quincy Adams. Unfortunately, Adams left office before doing so, and his successor, Andrew Jackson, wasn't nearly as interested.



# *Leonhard Euler*

A Hollow Earth theory has been, perhaps erroneously, attributed to Leonhard Euler.

According to this theory, Euler did away with the layered inner shells and instead added a central interior sun, some 1,000 km in diameter. This inner sun was said to warm the hollow world within, providing light to the inner civilization.

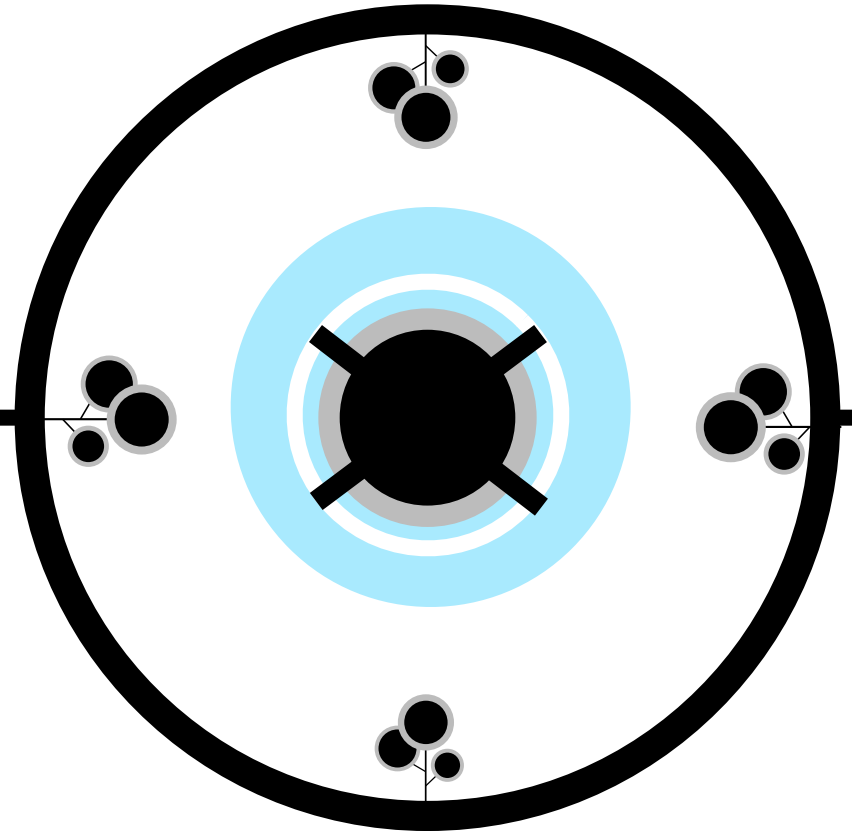


# *Cyrus Teed*

Perhaps the strangest of all Hollow Earth theorists, Cyrus Teed claimed to have been visited by an angel, who bestowed upon him the knowledge that the Earth is, indeed, hollow.

There was one particular detail that no one had yet noticed, though: we are currently living on the inside!

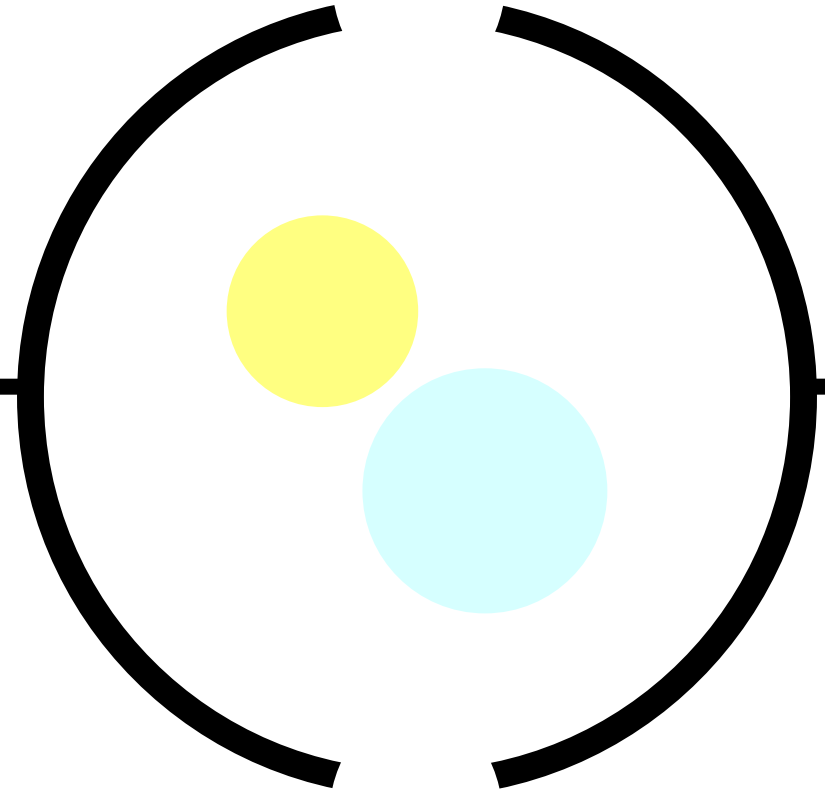
Everything we see, according to Teed's theory -- the surface of the Earth, the sky, the Sun and the stars -- all exist within the Earth. At the very center, what we see as the blackness of space, is a point of nothing. The Sun, merely a light-producing contraption. And the stars? Nothing but reflections in the sky.



# *Sir John Leslie*

The Scottish mathematician Sir John Leslie is often attributed with a scientific Hollow Earth theory, one that closely resembles Leonhard Euler's alleged ideas.

However, Leslie posits two inner suns, named Pluto and Proserpine.



# *Scientific View of the Inner Earth*

Our modern scientific understanding of the Earth is as follows: an outer crust, a mantle comprised of several layers, a liquid outer core, and an iron-nickel inner core.

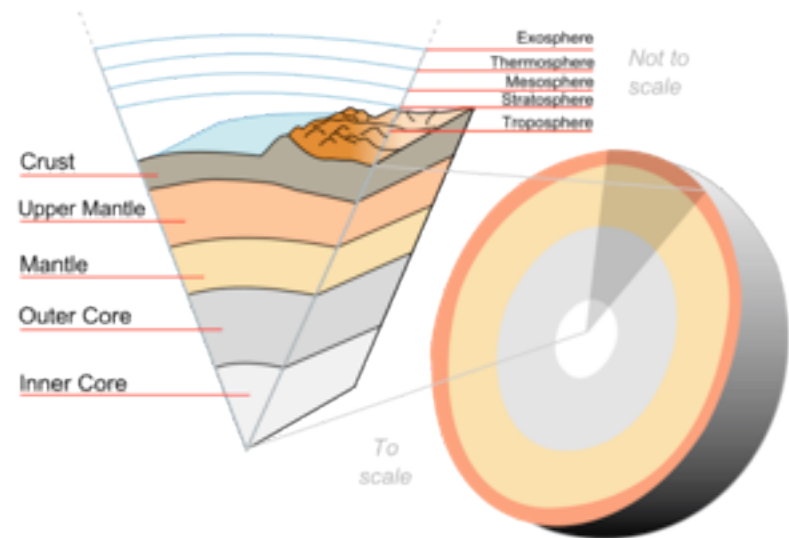
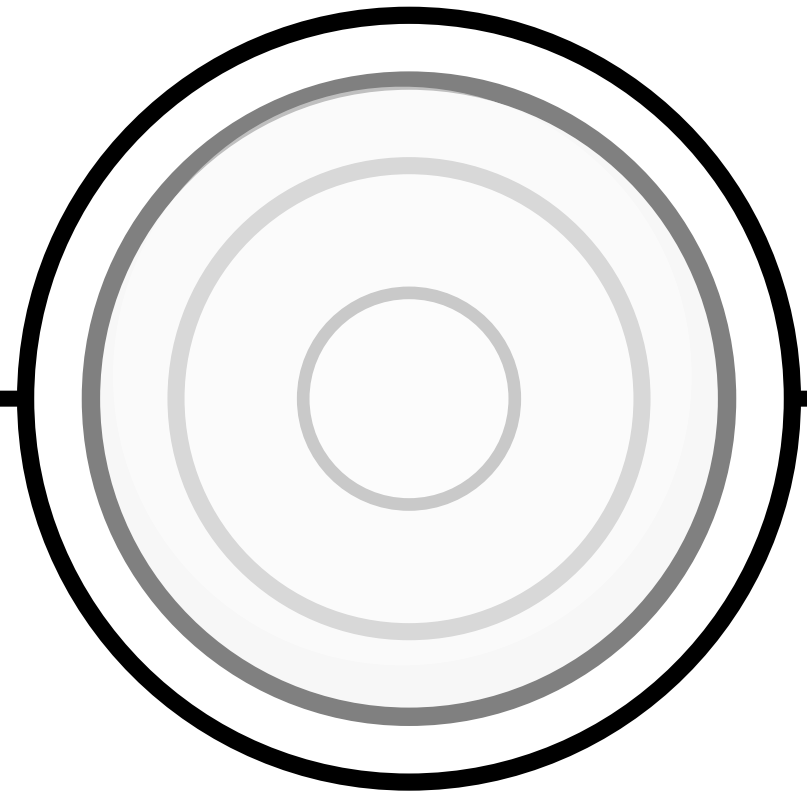
You'll notice that, for all intents and purposes, Edmond Halley was mostly right. There are layers. And at least one of those layers -- the outer core -- spins, generating the Earth's magnetic field and explaining its variations over time.

Conceptually, Halley was very much correct. He was only limited by the technology and measurement capabilities of the time.



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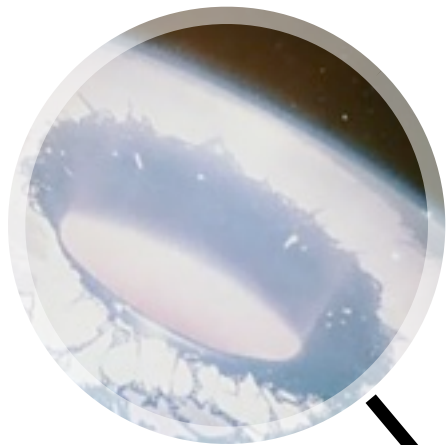
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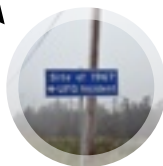
The Hollow Earth Theory has a bit of everything: ancient mythology, science, and bizarre conspiracy theories.

Here are links to information on some of the more interesting claims:



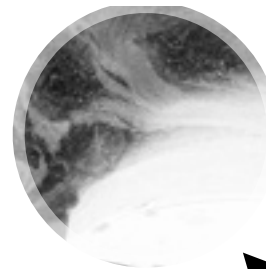
## [Footage of Agharta?](#)

Some say this image was taken aboard the Mir space station, showing the entrance at the pole



## [Shag Harbour](#)

Did a UFO descend into the Hollow Earth in 1967?



## [The Well to Hell](#)

Did Russian scientists record sounds from within the Hollow Earth?



## [The Smoky God](#)

by Olaf Jansen



## [The Hollow Earth](#)

by Dr. Raymond Bernard



**only in the middle  
of the night**



**would we dare.**

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- [Archeology Magazine: My Trip to Xibalba and Back](#)
- [Tuat/Duat the Egyptian Underworld](#)
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- [The Public Domain Review: Stories of a Hollow Earth](#)
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## Wikipedia Links

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- [Hell](#)
- [Hades](#)
- [Sheol](#)
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Which reminds me...one group seemed strangely absent here, despite their fairly significant role in the Hollow Earth Theory mythos.

Perhaps they have a larger story to tell...

**The End?**