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Posted by: futari

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futari wrote:

"old moon / waning moon" (æ@˜æœˆ/æ¼,â°•æœˆ/è™§æœˆ)

= 1) a phase of the moon lying between last quarter and new moon, when it appears as a waning crescent

= 2) the moon when it appears as a waning crescent

= 3) the time at which this occurs  
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Please note that:

"old moon" = "waning moon" = definition 1)

MOON CYCLE:

(according to how the moon appears to us, in order of appearance)

1. New (also called the Dark Moon) - not visible
2. Waxing Crescent
3. First Quarter - commonly called a "half moon"
4. Waxing Gibbous
5. Full - we can see the entire illuminated portion of the moon
6. Waning Gibbous
7. Third Quarter - another "half moon", but the illuminated part is opposite of the First Quarter
8. Waning Crescent
9. New - back to the beginning

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[http://www.moonconnection.com/moon\\_cycle.phtml](http://www.moonconnection.com/moon_cycle.phtml)  
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So, according to the definition(s) given in the dictionary,

"old moon" corresponds to the seventh phase through eighth phase of the moon cycle till new moon restores and the cycle starts again.

HTH.