

# Why is a rainbow curved?

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The curved shape of the rainbow is due to the reflection of the [Sun's](#) round shape. Because part of the Sun is blocked, rainbows will appear as a semi circle. If a person sees a rainbow below them from an aeroplane, the rainbow will appear as a [full circle](#), rather than a quarter or semi circle.