Geography 1-2 Need to Know Words:

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1. Orbit – the path followed by an object in space as it moves around another; such as that of Earth as it moves around the sun.
2. Revolution – one complete orbit of Earth around the sun; Earth completes one revolution every 364 ¼ days, or one year.
3. Axis – an imaginary line around which a planet turns; Earth turns around its axis which runs between its North and South poles.
4. Rotation – the spinning motion of the Earth, like a top on its axis; Earth takes about 24 hours to rotate one time.

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