

# DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE, WAY UP IN THE SKY?



An Evening Sky in the North at Autumn (USA)

**What do you see in the sky?**

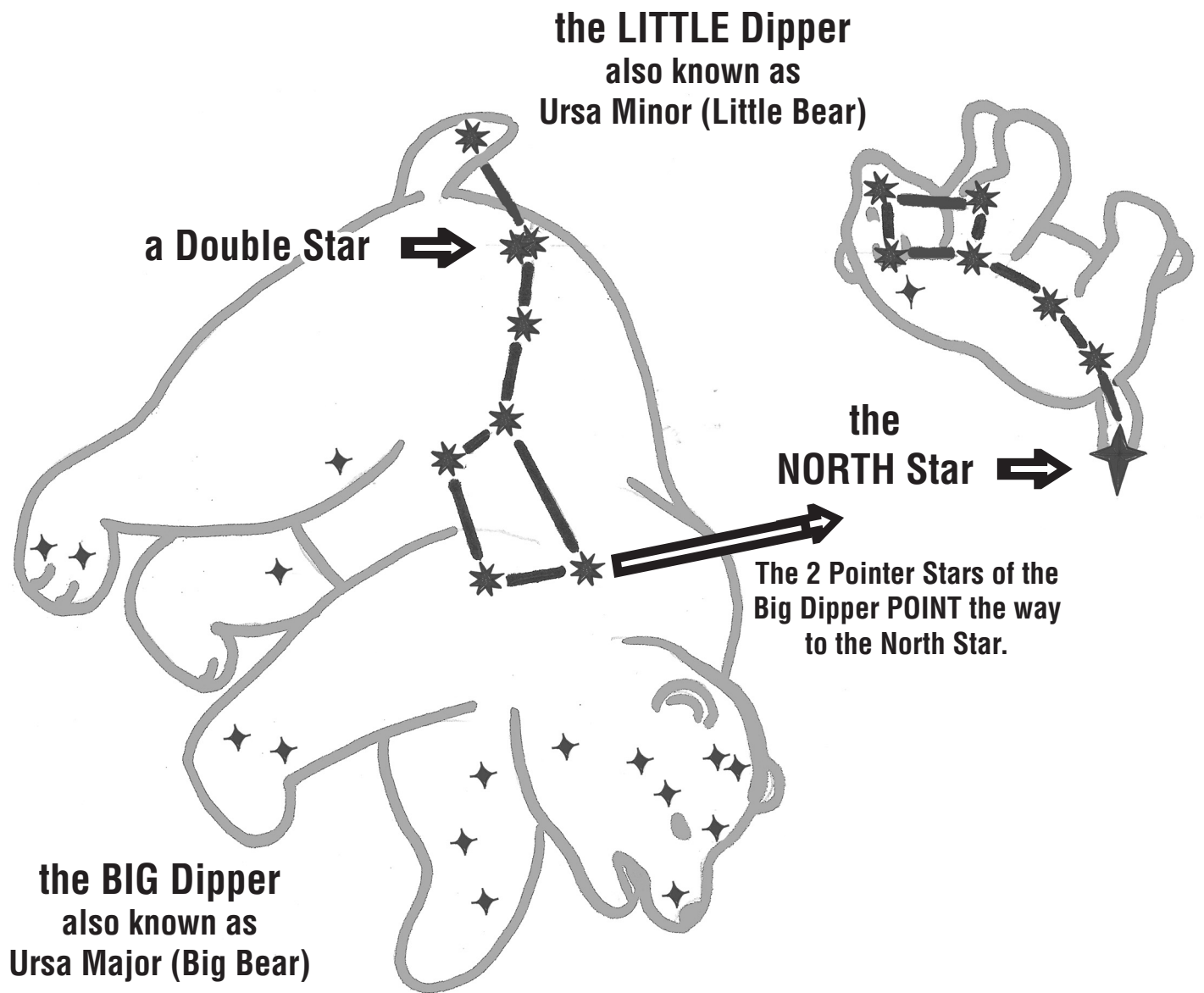
**Go outside on a clear night, can you find these patterns of stars?**

# NOW WHAT DO YOU SEE?



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**Can you name the 3 Constellations in the night sky?**

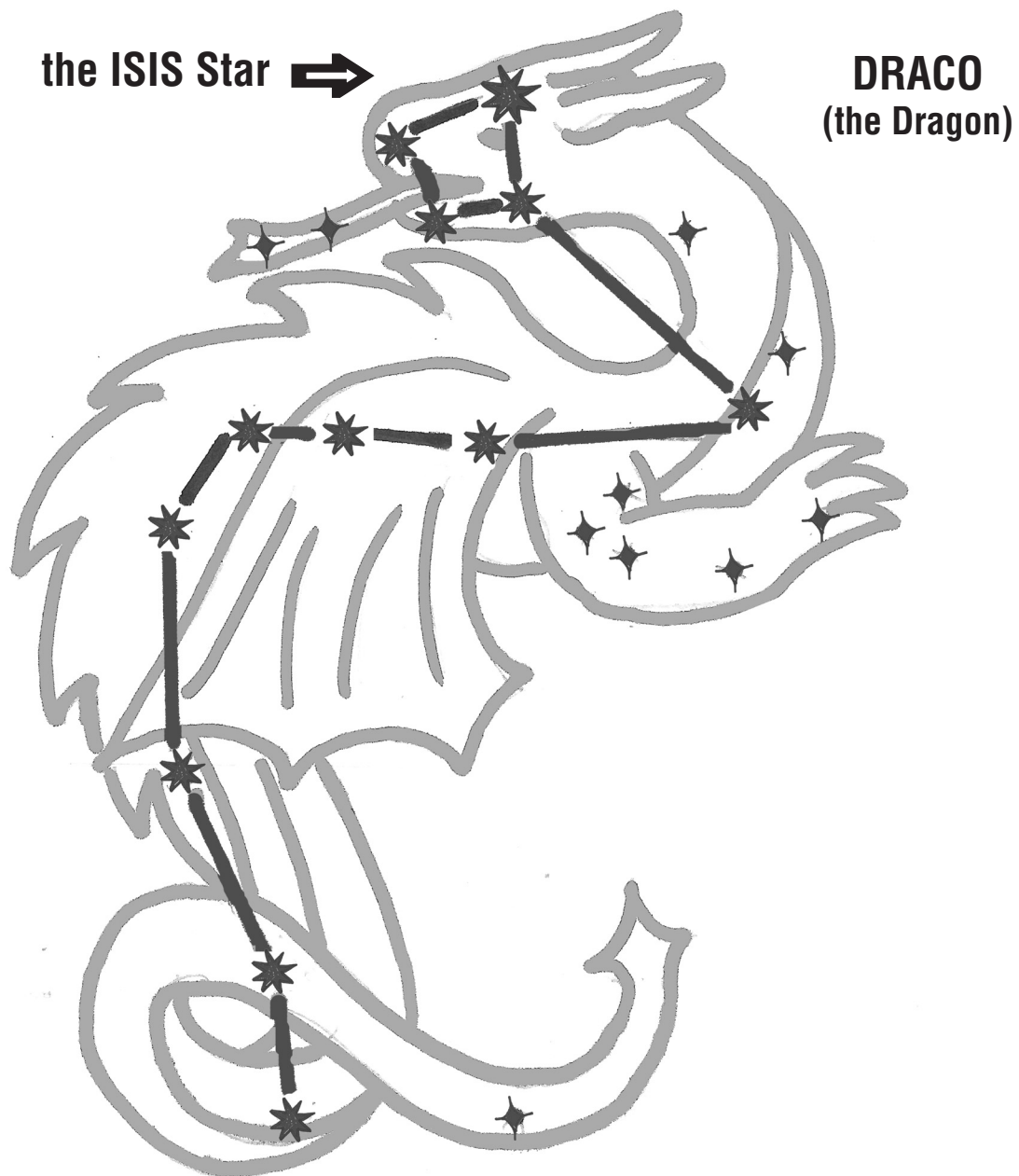


## About Ursa Major & Ursa Minor:

**STORY:** In one story, for their own protection, it says that a mother and her son were transformed into bears. But when they were found out, a hunter was sent after them. When the hunter found the bears, Zues, the King of the Gods, appeared and stood between the Hunter and the Bears, preventing anything from happening to them. It was then that Zues threw the bears, by their tails, into the sky, where he knew they would stay safe forever and ever. (That's why the constellation bears have a longer tail than normal bears)

**NOTE:** The Earth Rotates on its axis, so in the fall the Northern part of the Earth gets farther from the sun. Because of this, it will also change how the constellations look in the sky. In the fall, Ursa Major and Ursa Minor, who also go by Big Dipper and Little Dipper, are said to tip (see image above) and pour the beautiful colors of fall onto the Earth! What do you think?

**How do think the Bears came to be in the night sky? What story would you tell?**



## About DRACO the Dragon:

**STORY:** In one creation myth, it is believed that the Dragon of chaos and darkness, was challenged by the Sun God. The Sun God overpowered the the dragon (light overcame darkness) and the dragon (being a poor sport) lepto into the heaven, into his realm of darkness.

**NOTE:** A Norse creation myth tells of a dragon who gnaws at the roots of Ygdrasil, the tree that covers the world.

**How do think Draco came to be in the night sky? What story would you tell?**