## Image Formation by Convex Mirrors Lesson Notes

## Learning Outcomes

- How does light reflect off a convex mirror?
- How is an image formed by a convex mirror?


## Convex Mirror Anatomy

Provide short definitions/descriptions of ..:
Principal Axis (PA):

Center of Curvature (C)


## Two Rules of Reflection

Know the two rules!!!


## Convex Mirror Image Formation

- To see an image you must sight at it. Light travel from the object to the mirror to your eye along your line of sight.
- An image is a representation or replica of the object that is located at the one location where it seems to every observer as though reflected light is coming from.



## Virtual Images

The convex mirror image is a virtual image. Virtual images form when reflected light diverges. Like plane mirror images, the virtual image formed by the convex mirror is located behind the mirror.


