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The dark spots on the Sun are large storms called sunspots. They look small on the Sun but are, in fact, as large as the Earth or bigger. Can you imagine a storm as big as the Earth?

There are also huge explosions called solar flares in which the hot gases are spit away from the Sun - like spaghetti sauce that bubbles and spatters. These great storms blast material out of the Sun and into space.

Explore the next picture and locate the sunspots in the Sun and flares around the Sun's edge.