

THE SOLAR SYSTEM An Exploration



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Universe Unpacked



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Our Solar System consists of celestial bodies that include:

Classify celestial Bodies Represent and describe characteristics Examine light emitters Interpret physical, pictorial, or digital models of the solar system. •the Sun (Star) planets and their moons dwarf planets asteroids • comets meteoroids **Celestial Bodies**

Surface Conditions

Composition

size

emit light reflect light

shape

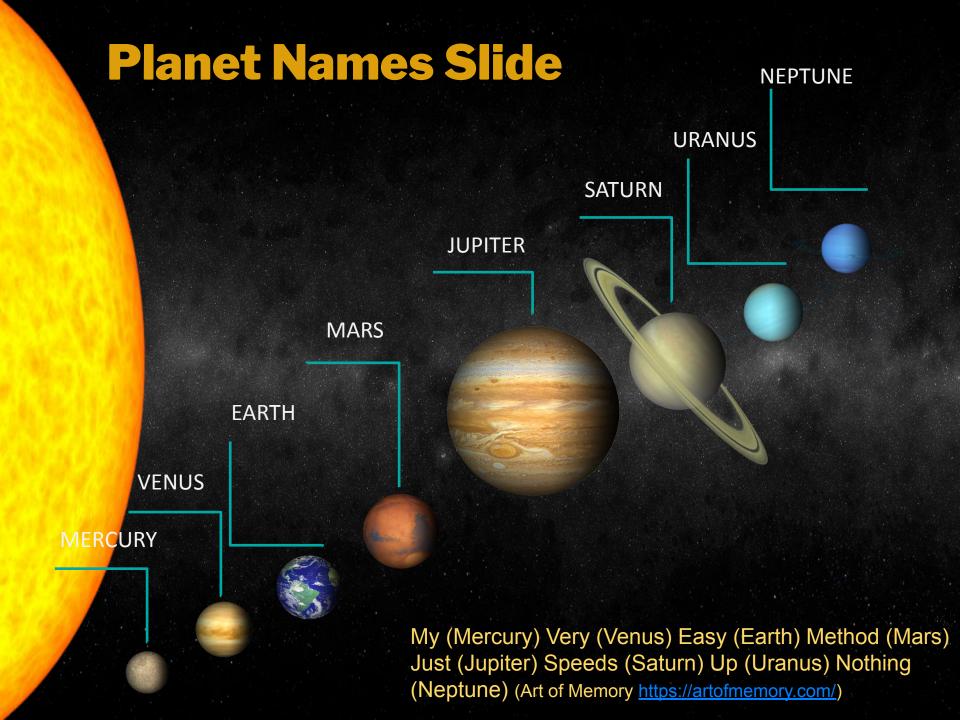
Solar System

Astronimate - "makes learning about our vast universe with fun animations."

<u>Astronimate</u>

How did our solar system form?

Why is the Sun such a key part of earth's survival?



Planet Information

Click on a planet to view it individual information slide.

Solar System Orbit

How do planets maintain their orbits?

Planets Relative Size

Furthering Our Inquiry : Light Emitters

Relate the characteristics of a Dwarf planet to the reclassification of Pluto.

Sky Science The Universe: Yours to Discover



Objects That Emit and Reflect Light

Light: Crash Course <u>Astronomy</u> <u>#24</u>



Our Celestial Bodies



The four inner solar system planets (Mercury, Venus, Earth, and Mars) fall under the catego of terrestrial planets;

The four outer solar system planets are Jupiter and Saturn called gas giants (giant plants composed mostly of hydrogen and helium) while Uranus and Neptune are the ice giants (containing mainly elements heavier than hydrogen and helium).

The Asteroid Belt separates the Inner planets from the Outer planets. The belt lies between Mars and Jupiter.

A Dwarf Planet orbits the sun, has enough mass to maintain a round shape but has not cleared its neighborhood around its orbit; it is not a moon.



What Is The Difference Between An Asteroid, A Meteoroid, A Meteorite And A Comet?

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN...



Less Than Five - What's the Difference Between Comets, Asteroids, Meteoroids, Meteors & Meteorites?



How To Identify a Meteorite University of Alberta **Finding Micrometeorites**

Collecting <u>Micrometeorites</u> has a Youtube in it of how to carry out the investigation.

Tiny meteorites are everywhere — here's how to find them

Stargazing tips



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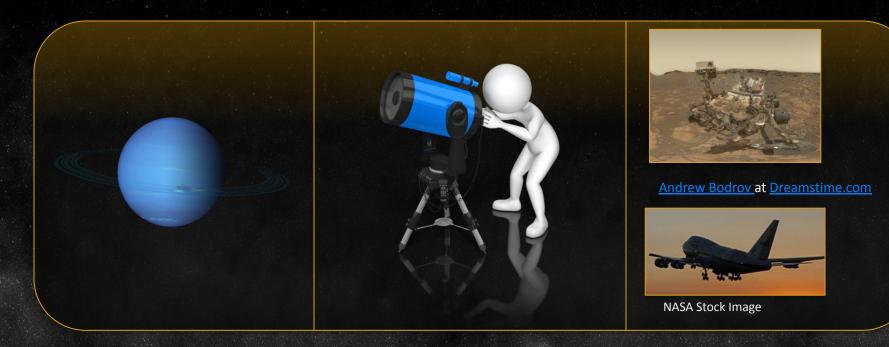
What are binoculars? How do they help us see stars? How does a telescope work?

Compare the observations you would get from a telescope pictured above with the one at the <u>Hesje</u> Observatory at Miquelon Lake Provincial Park. (Dark Sky Reserve) Telus World of Science

Dreamstime.com ID#6097954 Jeff Whyte

Research this centre or one closer to you and determine where and how you can view space objects.

Space Exploration



Exploring the Planets What <u>tools</u> do we use? How do scientists explore the solar system? MARS <u>Exploration</u> National Air and Space <u>Museum</u>

Solar System Exploration - <u>satellites</u>

Our World in Data

<u>Artemis 1</u>

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Distinguish features between Comets, Asteroids and Meteoroids.

Sample Natural Satellite



Credits:NASA image

Sample Artificial Satellite



Credits:NASA image

Compare and contrast natural satellites and artificial satellites.

On the ISS: A view of Earth

View of Earth from the ISS



Natural and Artificial Satellites



Recycling Air and Water



Fun Facts About ISS

Discuss potential personal, societal, technological, and environmental barriers to living and working in space.

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- This planet is the smallest and closest to the Sun.
- Mercury only makes three revolutions for every two around its orbit.
- For every night that passes on Earth, a year goes by on Mercury.
- it has more than 350 craters
- in 1990's, scientists discovered there is ice in the craters of the north and south poles. Tese poles never experience sunlight therefore remain permanently cold and frozen whereas the equatorial areas exceptionally hot.

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- This planet is the second planet from the Sun.
- It is the brightest natural object in the sky after the Earth's moon.
- It has a very dense atmosphere made up of carbon dioxide and a little amount of nitrogen.
- It is the planet most like earth in size and mass
- Surface temperatures average 450°C
- Venus completes an orbit every 224.65 Earth days.



- This planet is the third planet from the Sun and the one you probably call home.
- It is the fifth largest of the planets.
- Earth is home to millions of different species, including humans.
- Earth has one moon called Luna.
- There are 365 days in a year.



- This planet is the fourth planet from the Sun.
- It is the second smallest planet in the solar system.
- Mars has two small moons Phobos and Deimos.
- Bright areas on Mars are covered with fine, light-colored sand that gets blown around the planet by winds in its thin atmosphere.
- Dark areas, however, are not huge expanses of vegetation, as once thought, but instead vast volcanic deposits dating from the planet's early history.

- This planet is the fifth planet from the Sun.
- Jupiter is classified as a gas giant and is made up of primarily hydrogen and a quarter helium.
- Has the fastest rotation of all other planets. Completes a rotation every ten hours.
- It has 67 moons.



- This planet is the sixth planet from the Sun.
- Saturn's rings are made up of mostly ice particles and smaller particles of rocky debris and dust
- It takes Saturn 10,759 earth days to make one revolution around the sun.
- Saturn has 53 named moons.



- This planet is the seventh planet from the Sun.
- Uranus is classified as a ice giant and has the coldest planetary atmosphere in the Solar System.
- Every 84 earth years Uranus makes one revolution around the sun.
- Uranus has 27 moons.



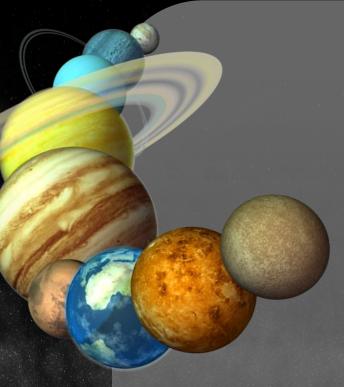
- This planet is the eighth planet from the Sun.
- Neptune's atmosphere is made up of 80% hydrogen and 19% helium.
- Neptune makes a complete revolution around the sun about every 165 earth years.
- Uranus has 13 moons.



- This dwarf planet was originally classified as the ninth planet from the Sun.
- Pluto is made up of mostly rock and ice.
- Every 248 Earth years Pluto makes one rotation around the sun.

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• Pluto has five moons.



Science Resources for Space

Ducksters: Astronomy for Kids

Nine Planets

<u>Astronomy</u>

NASA STEM <u>Engagement</u> - several activities (look in NASA Audiences)

Curriculum Resources

STAR Date- Moon Phase Calculator

Explore the Wonders of the Solar System: Fascinating Facts About the <u>Planets!</u>

Exploring Our Solar System: Planets and Space for Kids - <u>FreeSchool</u>

Why isn't Pluto a planet anymore?

Additional Resources

Sources

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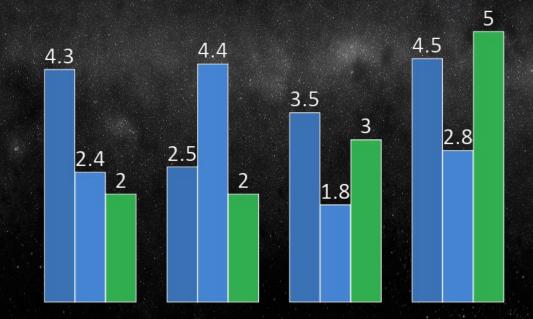
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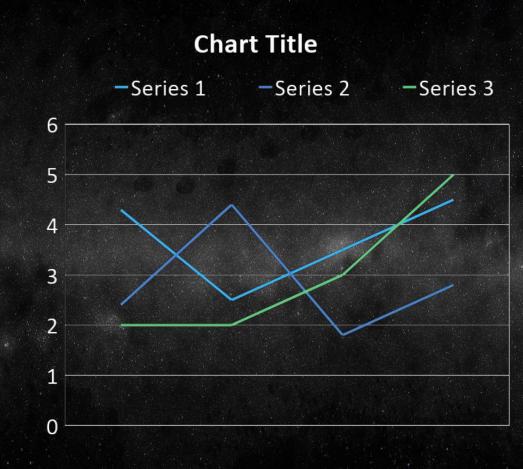
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