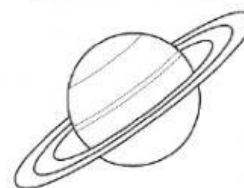




WORKSHEET

Unit 8_Advanced reading 1

Saturn is the sixth planet from our Sun. This amazing planet is best known for its rings. We may think that these rings are small in number, but when seen through a telescope, there are hundreds of them. The rings look very thin. They are made up of rocky ice particles and dust. Saturn also has many moons. Galileo was the first person to look at Saturn through a telescope. The year was 1610. He was amazed at what he could see, but he didn't understand it. The telescopes today are much better and can show details of the rings and moons.



Another interesting fact about Saturn is that it could float. That seems surprising because Saturn is the second-largest planet. Even though it is big, it doesn't weigh very much. It is less dense than water. Saturn rotates very quickly, which means that a day on Saturn is only about 10 hours long. Saturn is made up mostly of hydrogen and helium. There have been many unmanned trips to get closer look at Saturn. Four spacecrafts have taken pictures and visited Saturn. These were the Pioneer 1, Voyager 1, Voyager 2, and Cassini.

*** Answer the questions. Write NO MORE THAN FOUR words/ numbers.**

1. What is Saturn famous for?

It's famous for its

2. How do the rings of Saturn look?

The rings look

3. When was Saturn first looked at through a telescope?

In

4. What is Saturn made up mostly of?

It's made up mostly of

5. How many spacecrafts have ever visited Saturn?

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**** Circle the correct answer A, B or C.**

1. How did the telescope change what people thought about Saturn?

A. Saturn has more rings than we may think.

B. Galileo discovered that Saturn had rings.

C. Saturn is the center of the universe.

2. What would be the best title for this passage?

A. Saturn: The Planet with Rings

B. Outer Planets

C. Planets with Moons

3. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT true about Saturn?

A. Saturn is the second-largest planet in solar system.

B. A day on Saturn is longer than a day on Earth.

C. Saturn is so light that it could float.

4. Why can't humans live on Saturn?

A. Saturn has more rings than other planets.

B. Saturn rotates less quickly than Earth.

C. Saturn is made up of mostly hydrogen and helium.