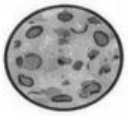
Reading

The Solar System

The Solar System is made up of the Sun and eight planets. The Sun is a star located at the center of the Solar System. It gives light and heat to all the planets.



The closest planet to the Sun is Mercury. It is very hot during the day and very cold at night. Venus is the second planet and it is the hottest planet because of its thick atmosphere.

Earth is the third planet from the Sun and it is the only known planet with life. About 70% of Earth's surface is covered with water.

Mars is called the Red Planet because of its red color. Scientists study Mars because they want to know if life existed there long ago.

Jupiter is the largest planet in the Solar System.

Saturn is famous for its beautiful rings.

Uranus rotates on its side, making it different from the other planets.

Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun and it has very strong winds.

The Solar System is an amazing place full of mysteries waiting to be discovered.

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Multiple Choice Questions

1. How many planets are in the Solar System?

a) Six

b) Seven

c) Eight

d) Nine

2. Which planet is the largest?

a) Earth

b) Mars

c) Saturn

d) Jupiter

3. Which planet is known as the Red Planet?

a) Mercury

b) Venus

c) Mars

d) Neptune

4. Which planet has life?

a) Jupiter

b) Saturn

c) Earth

d) Uranus

True or False

1. The Sun is a planet.

   True **False**

2. Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun.

   True **False**

3. Saturn has beautiful rings.

   True **False**

Matching

Match the planet with its description.

1. Mercury	A. Closest to the Sun
2. Earth	B. Planet with life
3. Saturn	C. Famous for its rings

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