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The Solar System

Instructions: Complete the sentences below by filling in the blanks with the most suitable words from the word box. Words may only be used **once.**

Uranus	Gaseous	Moon	50	Earth	Tall	Mercury	88	Terrestrial
Dwarf	Venus	Mars	Milky Way	Morning Star	Neptune	Ozone Layer		
Stars	Revolution	Rotation	Large	Comet	Orion's Belt			

1. Earth, Venus, Mercury and Mars are referred to as _____ planets because they are nearest to the sun.
2. _____ is often called the 'Red Planet' because its rocks and soil contain high amounts of iron.
3. The hottest planet in our solar system is _____, it is also called the _____.
4. The four largest planets are called the _____ planets. These include Jupiter, Neptune, Saturn and _____.
5. _____ is the only planet that can support life which is mainly due to the existence of the _____ which protects it from solar radiation.
6. The planet that is closest to the Earth is _____.
7. Pluto is now considered to be a _____ planet and is no longer the smallest in our solar system.
8. The _____ orbits around the planets, Jupiter has as many as sixteen!
9. A _____ is an object made up of ice and dust that forms a tail when it passes the sun.
10. Our solar system is in the galaxy known as the _____.
11. The two planetary movements of the Earth are _____ and _____.

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