

Planets

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Suitable for students aged 5+

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Theme: Planets
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Context:

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Preparation:

Print out the A4 sheets.

If possible, cover the pages of cards with 'clear pvc self adhesive book cover film', before cutting out along the dotted lines.

HOW TO PLAY:

You need four players, one set of Picture Cards and one set of Statement Cards.

Work with a partner to make a team of two.

Shuffle the Statement Cards and place them in a pile face down. Spread out the Planet Cards facing up in the middle of the table.

The teams work together to match all the statements to the correct planets:

The first team picks up a Statement Card and reads it out.

The second team tries to identify the planet that the statement describes. They then have to hold up the picture of that planet. If both teams agree, put the Planet Card to one side with the Statement Card underneath it.

Next, the second team takes a turn to pick up and read a Statement Card, and the first team has to try and match it to the right planet.

We have also provided a blank template in case you wish to enter your own statements.

Learning Outcomes:

Students will have increased their knowledge of the planets in our solar system. If you have found further learning outcomes please share them by emailing collaborate@mantralingua.com.

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(You can purchase a professionally printed, sound-enabled version of this activity with pre-cut cards from www.mantralingua.com. Students can use TalkingPEN to record and re-record aurally onto the pages and cards. Recordings can be saved and used for assessment, or shared with other classes and schools via "ShareLINK".)

Mercury



Venus



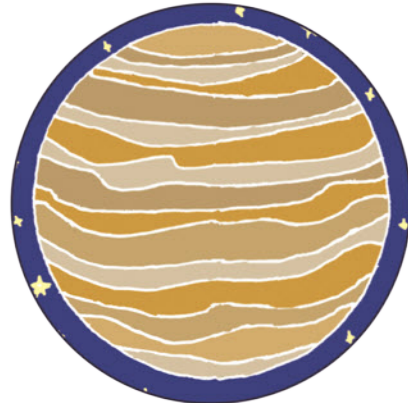
Earth



Mars



Jupiter



Saturn



Uranus



Neptune



Pluto



I am further from the Sun than the Earth. I am smaller than all the other planets except Mercury and Pluto.

I am nearer to the Sun than Mars and I am smaller than all the other planets except one.

I am very hot and I am a little bit smaller than Earth. I have a carbon dioxide atmosphere.

I am further from the Sun than Mars and I am bigger than all the other planets except one.

I am nearly twice the size of Mars and further from the Sun than Venus.

I am further from the Sun than Venus and I am about eleven times bigger than Earth.

I am a long way from the Sun and my force of gravity is higher than all the other planets except one.

I am about three times smaller than Mars and I am very cold.

I am about twice as far from the Sun as Saturn but I am a little warmer than Pluto.

Planets Matching - Statement Cards

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