

planet matchup

Learn more about the eight planets of our solar system. Draw a line to match each planet to its fun fact. There's one correct match for each. Hint: Use your experiment guide, solar system model or comic book to help you determine the answers.

Mercury



Named for the Roman god of war, it's sometimes called the Red Planet.

Venus



Famous for its big stormy "eye," it's the biggest planet in the solar system.

Earth



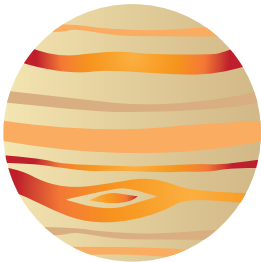
Even though it's not the closest to the Sun, it's the hottest planet in the solar system because of its thick atmosphere.

Mars



Farthest from the Sun, it was first thought to be a star and then "rediscovered" as a planet.

Jupiter



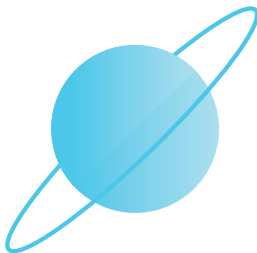
Some moons orbiting this faraway planet are named after characters in William Shakespeare's plays.

Saturn



It is the one planet where we know life exists.

Uranus



It's the closest planet to the Sun, but it's not the hottest because of its thin atmosphere.

Neptune



This planet is famous for its spectacular rings, which are named alphabetically according to their discovery.