

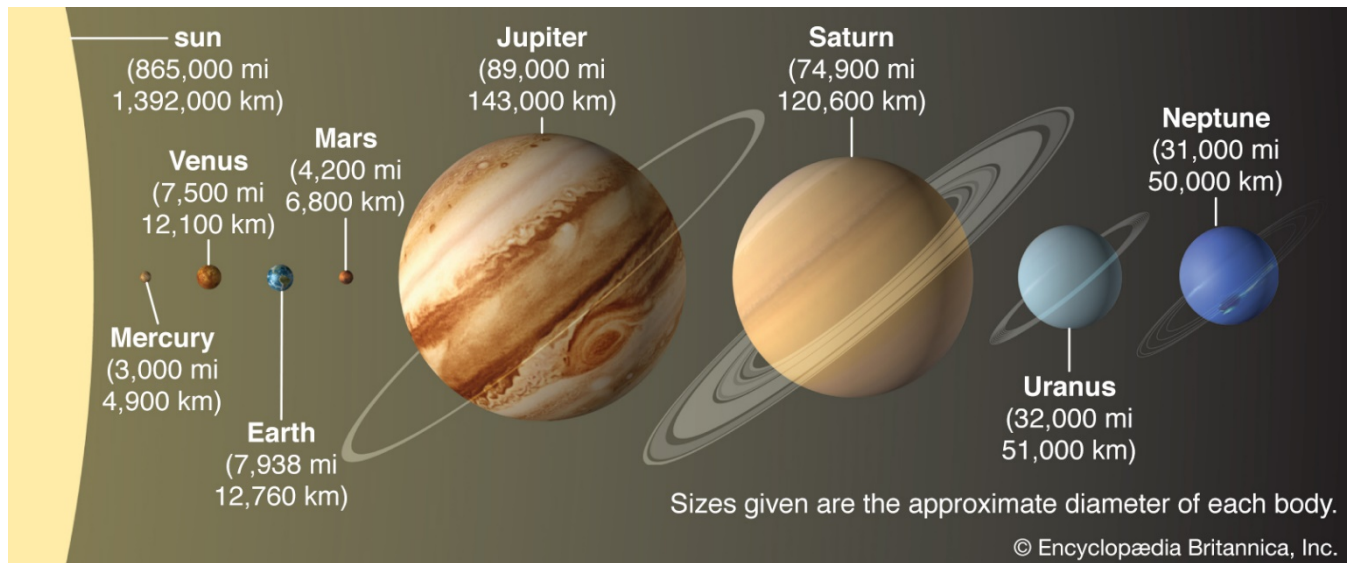
Year 1 General Studies

The Solar System

The centre of the Solar System is the Sun. The Solar System is made up of the Sun and all the planets, asteroids, and other objects that orbit the Sun.

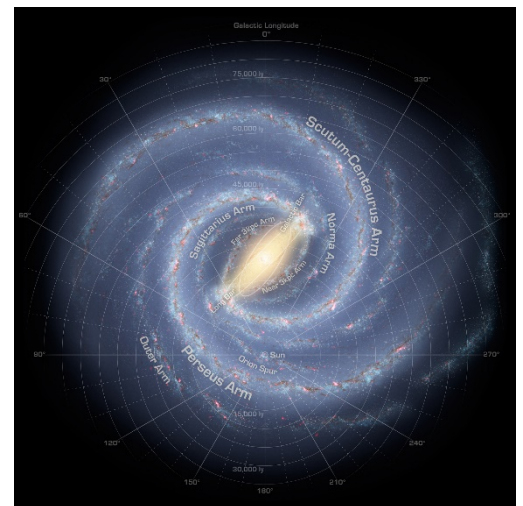
The Planets

There are eight planets in our Solar System. Starting with the closest to the sun they are Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.



The Milky Way

The Solar System is part of a bigger grouping of stars called a galaxy. Our galaxy is the Milky Way. The Solar System orbits around the centre of the Milky Way.



The International Space Station

The International Space Station is a large spacecraft. It orbits around Earth. It is a home where astronauts live. The space station is also a science lab. Many countries worked together to build it. They also work together to use it. The space station is made of many pieces. The pieces were put together in space by astronauts.



The Solar System

Questions

1. How many planets are in our solar system? _____

2. What is the name of the galaxy that earth is a part of?

3. Jupiter is closer to the sun than Earth. True False

4. What is the name given to a person who travels into space?

5. What is at the centre of our solar system? _____

6. Draw a picture of your favourite planet

