



PLANET FACT CARDS

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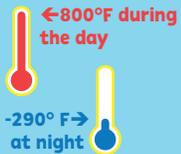
1st planet from the Sun



MERCURY
rock planet



Mercury is the smallest planet in our solar system, only slightly larger than the Earth's moon.



2nd planet from the Sun



VENUS
rock planet



Venus spins in the opposite direction from most planets. Its thick atmosphere traps in heat, making Venus the hottest planet in our solar system.



3rd planet from the Sun



EARTH
rock planet



Earth is our home planet! It's the only planet in our solar system with liquid water on its surface.



Earth's average temperature is 58°F, just right for supporting life!

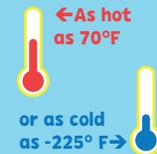
4th planet from the Sun



MARS
rock planet



Mars is called the "Red Planet" because of its color, which comes from the rusted iron in its rocks.



5th planet from the Sun



JUPITER
gas planet



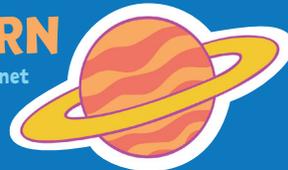
Jupiter is more than twice as massive as all the other planets in our solar system combined. The big red spot you see on it is a giant storm that has existed for more than 300 years.



6th planet from the Sun



SATURN
gas planet



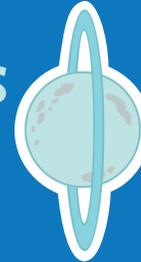
Saturn is surrounded by beautiful rings that are made of ice and rock. The planet has 62 moons.



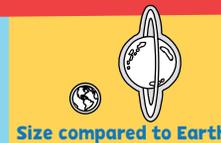
7th planet from the Sun



URANUS
gas planet



Uranus has 13 rings that we know of. It appears sideways because the planet actually rotates on its side!



8th planet from the Sun



NEPTUNE
gas planet



Neptune is the most distant planet in the solar system. It's dark, cold and windy. The winds on Neptune are faster than the fastest storms on Earth!

