

# THE SOLAR SYSTEM

## Venus

Venus is known as the hostile planet. It has the highest average temperature of all of the planets.

## Mars

Of the planets in our solar system, Mars is the most like earth. There might have once been lakes and rivers on mars, but they are now all dried up.

## Saturn

Saturn has hundreds of rings. The rings that are about 169,800 miles wide, but their thickness is less than the length of a football field. Saturn also has 30

## Neptune

Neptune has a constant storm on the planet known as The Great Dark Spot. Because this planet is so far away, it was not discovered until 1846. Like Saturn, Neptune has rings, but only 6.



## Mercury

Mercury is the closest to the sun. On Mercury, it is very cold at night but very hot during the day.

## Earth

Earth is the planet we live on, the largest terrestrial planet in our solar system. Earth's moon is named Luna.

## Jupiter

Jupiter is the first planet to orbit outside the asteroid belt. This planet has over 60 moons. Also, Jupiter is made up of only water, it has no solid surface.

## Uranus

Uranus sits on its side and spins sideways. It is believed that a long time ago a large object hit Uranus and set it on its side.

## Pluto

Pluto is very small, and because of this, it is not definite that it is a planet. In fact, on August 24th, 2006 it was officially renamed a dwarf planet.