

The Planets of Our Solar System

Match the planets listed with their descriptions. Mark the number in their space provided.

1. Mercury _____ flat rings, at least 18 moons
2. Venus _____ smallest planet, no moons, heavy metal
3. Earth _____ sideways planet, 14 moons and rings
4. Mars _____ 8 moons, very cold
5. Jupiter _____ hottest planet, toxic yellow clouds
6. Saturn _____ life forms, 1 moon, liquid water
7. Uranus _____ big red spot, largest planet
8. Neptune _____ big, red and dead, 2 moons, iron oxide

Write your mnemonic sentence in the space provided below to help you remember, in order, the names of the planets.

Rank your planets from closest to furthest from the sun. Beside each planet, record it's size (ranked from largest to smallest - in other words, the biggest planet would be #1). Add the asteroid belt in the appropriate location (in other words, between which 2 planetary orbits do we find it).

#1 Mercury

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(Mercury is closest to the sun, but is the smallest planet)

#2 _____

#3 _____

#4 _____

#5 _____

#6 _____

#7 _____

#8 _____
