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The Solar 5ystem





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Our solar system is made up of the eight planets that orbit our Sun.

There is the inner solar system with the terrestrial planets (made of rock) -Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars.

There is also the outer solar system with the gaseous planets (made of gas) - Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune.

Here is a fun way of remembering the order of the planets from the Sun!

Mercury

Venus

Earth

Mars







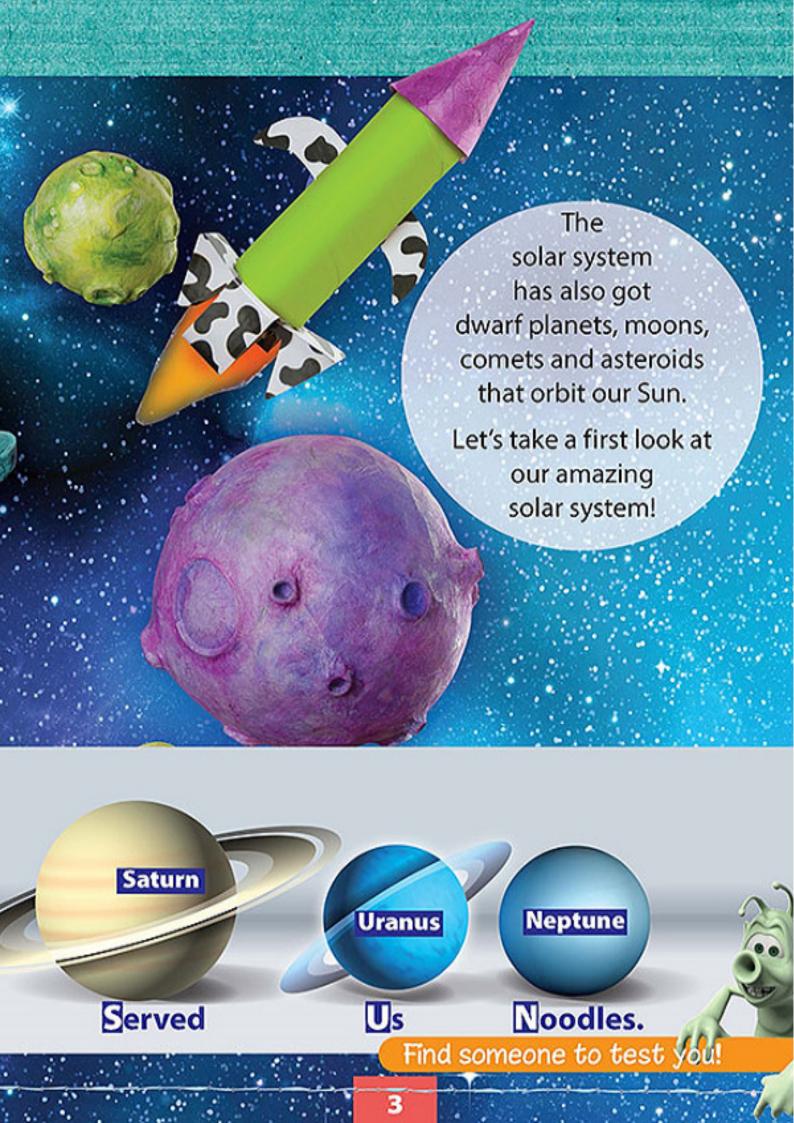








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In many ancient
civilisations, the Sun was very
important. The ancient Greeks called
the Sun Helios. In ancient Egypt, the god of
the Sun was Ra. Every morning, Ra travelled
across the sky in a bright boat. He wanted to see all
of his lands. Then, in the evening, Ra died. The story
of his trip every day explained why the Sun moved
across the sky.

The Romans called the Sun Sol, which in English means sun. This is why our system of planets is called the solar system. We cannot live without the Sun. The Sun gives heat and energy to Earth. Our plants even use sunlight to make food.