

THE SOLAR SYSTEM

Think of it this way: we're looking about the planets in the Solar System.

We can describe planets and other objects in the Solar System in terms of their distance from the Sun. The planets in the Solar System are Mercury, Venus, Earth, and Mars. The other planets are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.

My teacher says that the Earth has got 4.54 billion years old. Venus is bigger with 4.55 billion years. But the biggest planet of all is Jupiter with 4.57 billion years.

So you know that the smallest planet is all the way in the Solar System.

When scientists go to space they can describe some planets and other objects in terms of their distance from the Sun. For example, in terms of distance from the Sun, the planets in the Solar System are Mercury, Venus, Earth, and Mars. The other planets are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.

Scientists say that there is the "Red Planet", Jupiter has got "brown" in its color. The Earth is the "Blue Planet" because it has got lots of water and its surface is the blue.



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