Planet Scavenger Hunt: Inspiration

Use the Internet, encyclopedias or other resources to fill in the blank with the correct planet.

- 1. Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and the eighth largest. .
- 2. Temperature variations on Mercury are the most extreme in the solar system.
- 3. **Venus** is the second planet from the Sun and the sixth largest.
- 4. **Venus'** orbit is the most nearly circular of that of any planet.
- 5. **<u>Venus</u>** is usually visible with the unaided eye.
- 6. Mars is sometimes referred to as the Red Planet.
- 7. Early in its history, Mars was much more like Earth.
- 8. **Jupiter** is more than twice as massive as all the other planets combined.
- 9. Saturn's rings, unlike the rings of the other planets, are very bright,
- 10. Saturn is the least dense of the planets,
- 11. <u>Uranus</u> is the 7th planet from the sun.
- 12. Neptune is the eighth planet from the Sun.
- 13. Pluto is called the "dwarf planet".
- 14. The third planet from the sun is **Earth**,

Web Resources:

- www.inspiration.com
- http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/astronomy/planets/
- http://pds.jpl.nasa.gov/planets/
- http://starchild.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/StarChild/solar_system_level1/planets.html
- http://www.nineplanets.org/