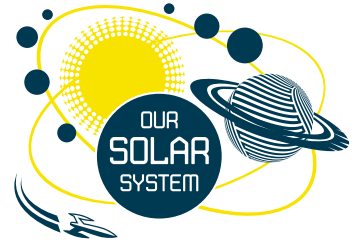


# Our Solar System

## Planet match

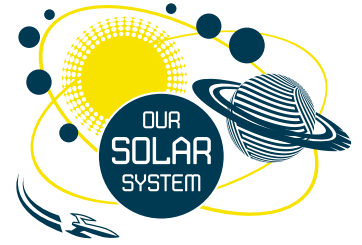


Cut out the cards below and on page 2, and match the planet to its description.

<p>Mercury</p>	<p>Venus</p>	<p>Earth</p>
<p>Mars</p>	<p>Jupiter</p>	<p>Saturn</p>
<p>Uranus</p>	<p>Neptune</p>	



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<p>I am the largest terrestrial (or solid, rocky) planet.</p> <p>I have vast oceans and a protective atmosphere so I am able to support life.</p>	<p>I am the smallest planet in our Solar System.</p> <p>I am the closest to the sun and take just 88 Earth days to orbit it.</p>	<p>A day on me is just 10 hours long, but I take 12 Earth years to orbit the sun.</p> <p>I am the largest planet in our Solar System and am known as a “Gas Giant”.</p>
<p>Just like Earth, I have seasons and I boast the largest volcano in our Solar System.</p> <p>I am often called the “Red planet”.</p>	<p>I am mainly composed of hydrogen, but my upper cloud layers include ammonia and water ices.</p> <p>I am famous for my glorious and complex ring system.</p>	<p>I was the first planet discovered, with the help of a telescope, in 1781.</p> <p>I suffered a massive impact a long time ago so now I am tipped on my side.</p>
<p>I am not the biggest planet and my atmosphere is characterised by fierce winds (up to 600m per second).</p> <p>I am the outermost planet and was discovered in 1846 via the use of a telescope.</p>	<p>I am hidden under a blanket of clouds, but I can be seen from Earth.</p> <p>My surface is covered in volcanoes and I am the hottest planet in our Solar System.</p>	

