

Investigation Review

How Do the Planets Differ?

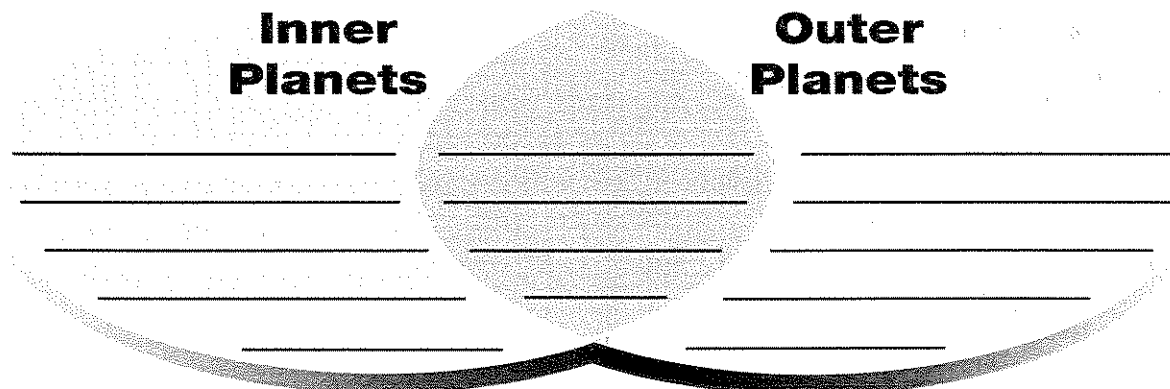


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1. Draw a line from the planet to its distinguishing features.

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| a. Earth | closest to Sun and has craters |
| b. Jupiter | only planet to support life as we know it |
| c. Mars | smallest planet and last to be discovered |
| d. Mercury | has an icy moon named Triton |
| e. Neptune | largest planet, has Great Red Spot |
| f. Pluto | atmosphere of hot, swirling clouds of carbon dioxide |
| g. Saturn | the red planet, planet most like Earth |
| h. Uranus | spins on a nearly horizontal axis |
| i. Venus | has thousands of rings and most satellites |

2. Use the diagram to compare the inner and outer planets in terms of size, composition, how they move, and presence of rings and satellites.



Process Skills

Communicating, Making and Using Models

On a separate sheet of paper, draw three circles to show how Earth compares with Mercury and Jupiter.