

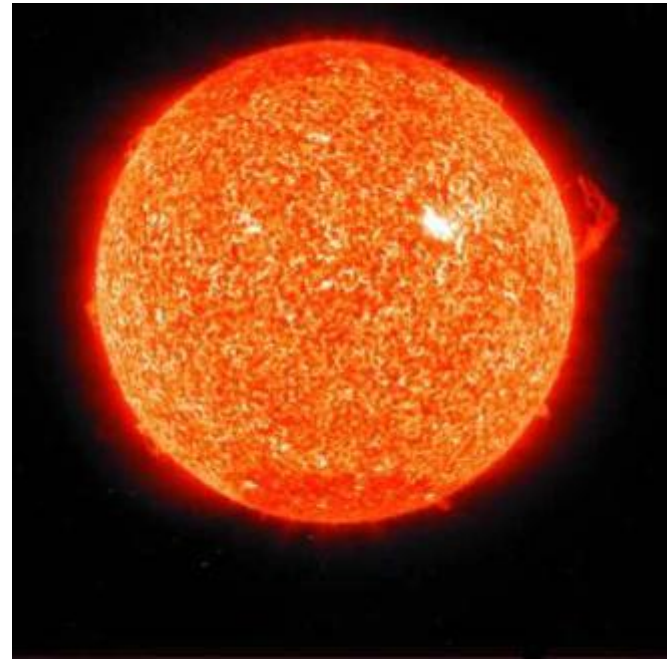


THE SOLAR SYSTEM



There are eight planets in our solar system : the Mercury, the Venus, the Earth, the Mars, the Jupiter, the Saturn, the Uranus and the Neptune. They circle around the Sun.

THE SUN

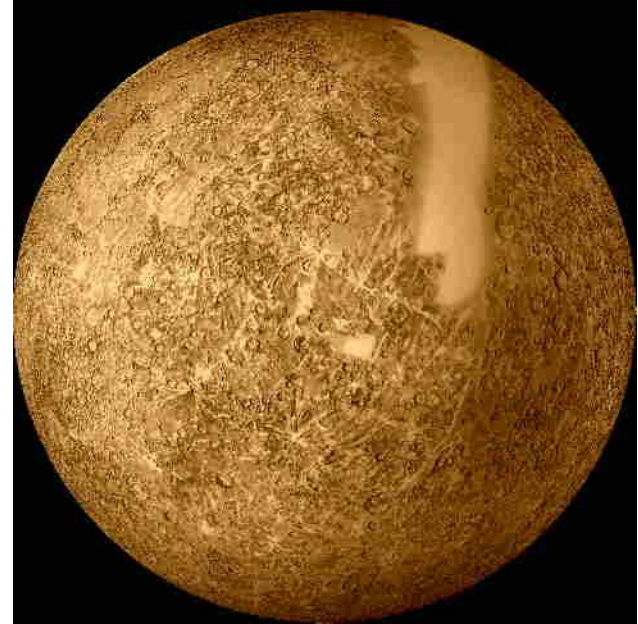


The Sun is a star - it *isn't* a planet. Our Sun is like the stars we see in the sky at night. The Sun is the only star we see during the daytime.

The Mercury

It's the nearest planet to the Sun.

In Roman mythology, Mercury was a messenger, and the god of commerce



There are mountains, craters, and valleys in the Mercury.

The Venus



In Roman mythology **Venus** was the goddess of Love and Beauty.
The Venus is the second planet from the Sun.

The Venus is the hottest planet

The Mars

In Roman mythology,
Mars was the god of
war.

It's the fourth planet
from the Sun.
It is sometimes called
the Red Planet.



There are deserts and canyons on the Mars.

The Jupiter.

In Roman mythology,
Jupiter was the king of
the gods, and the god of
the sky.



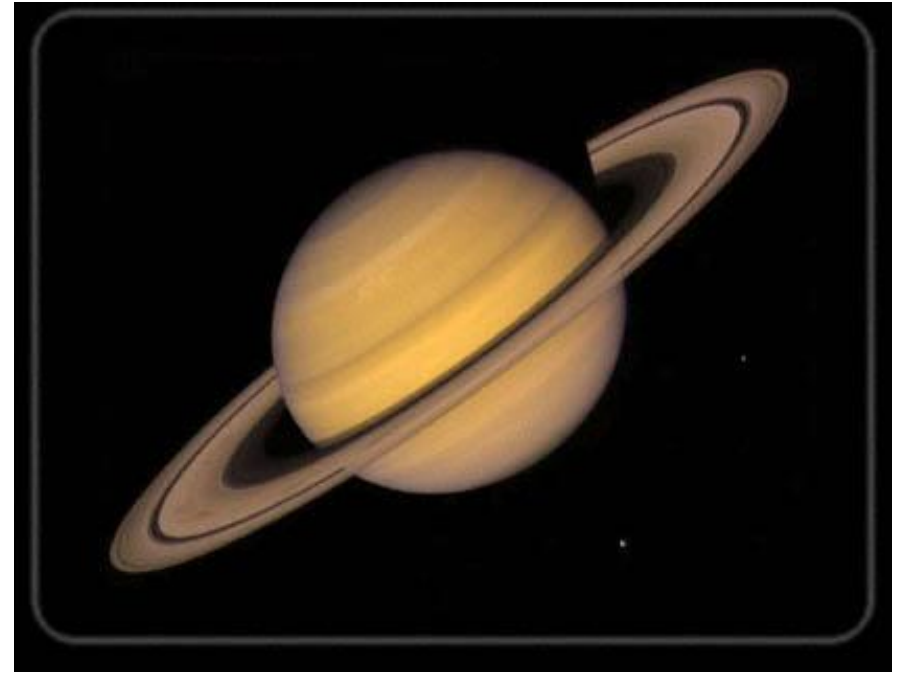
It's the fifth planet from the Sun
It has got 16 satellites.

It's the biggest planet.

The Saturn

In Roman mythology, Saturn was the god of agriculture

It's the sixth planet from the Sun



There are lots of rings that go around it.

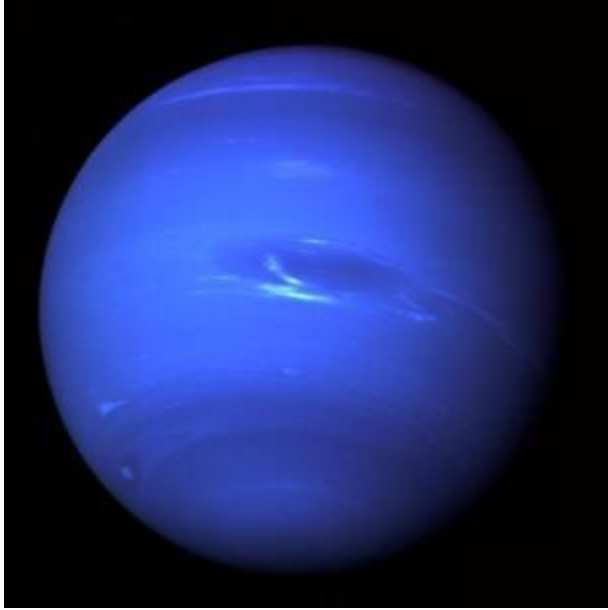
The Uranus



The Uranus is the seventh planet from the Sun

The Uranus has rings , too

The Neptune



In Roman mythology
Neptune was the
god of the sea.

The Neptune is the
eighth planet from
the Sun.

**The Neptune is the coldest planet,
because it is very far from the sun.**

The DWARF PLANETS

The Pluto is not a planet.

It's a Dwarf Planet because it's small.



The Ceres and the Eris are Dwarf Planets, too

