

The Solar System: Planet Notes

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1. Define gravity.
2. What two factors determine the force of gravity?
3. Why is the gravitational attraction between planets small?

Distributed Summarizing: What would happen to the planets or any object in the universe if gravity did not exist?

4. Define revolution.
5. Describe the orbit of planets in our solar system.
6. Identify and describe the characteristics of the Inner planets.
7. Identify and describe the characteristics of the Outer planets.
8. Explain the following:
 - Size relative to the earth
 - Surface features
 - Atmospheric features
 - Relative distance from the sun
 - Ability to support life