

Pocket Solar System



Make a model of our solar system.

Our Solar System is made up of the Sun and all the smaller objects that move around it, including eight planets and many dwarf planets, moons, asteroids, and comets.

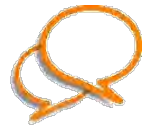
Materials Needed:

Paper, ruler, scissors, tape or glue, colored pencils or markers.

Instructions:

Step 1:

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Were you surprised by the distances between the planets? Why or why not?

How are the planets similar?

How are they different?

Which place(s) in the Solar System would you like to visit?

What do YOU want to know about the Solar System?

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Solar System Fun Facts

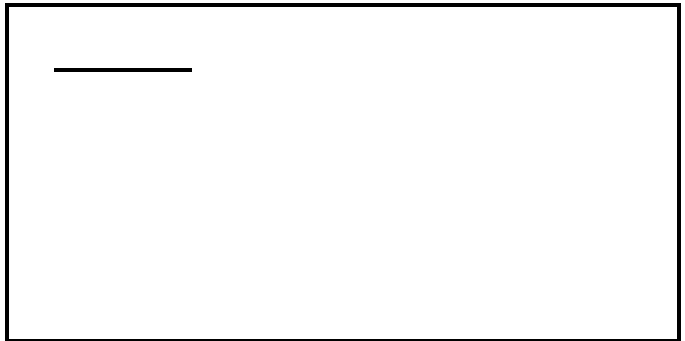
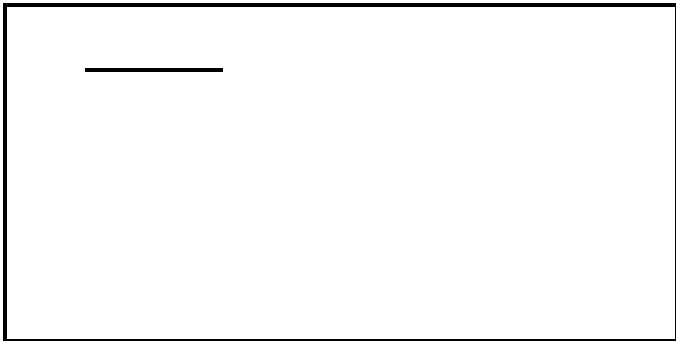
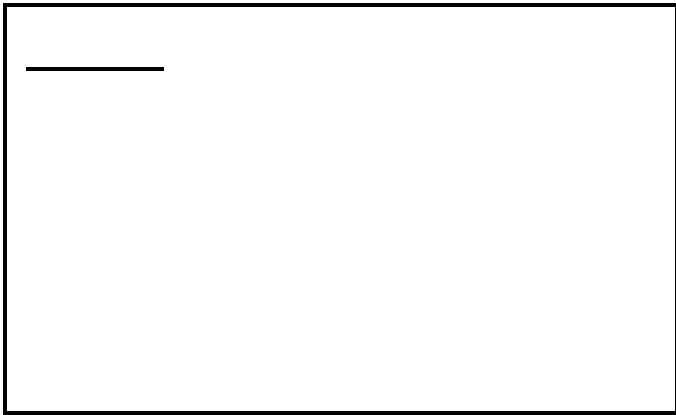
The Solar System is located in an outer spiral arm of the Milky Way galaxy.

Our Solar System formed about 4.5 billion

years ago.

Pocket Solar System: Folding Instructions

Step 1: Draw the edge of the Sun on one end of the



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