Test Your Research Skills

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How much do you know about the solar system that we live in?

Fill in the gaps below:

- 1. _____ is the closest planet to the sun.
- 2. _____ is the largest planet in the solar system.
- 3. ______ is named after the Roman goddess of love and beauty.
- 4. _____ is the sixth planet from the sun.
- 5. _____ is the furthest planet from the sun.

6. The temperature of the surface of ______ is almost 900°F.

- 7. The ______ is the star at the centre of our solar system.
- 8. _____ is named after the Roman god of the sea.

9. _____ is the fifth planet from the sun.

10. _____ is the eighth planet from the sun.

- 11. It takes ______ 365¼ days to orbit the ______.
- 12. In Roman mythology, ______ was Saturn's father.
- 13. Pluto's moon is called _____.
- 14. _____ is the fourth planet from the sun.
- 15. _____ was discovered in 1930 by Clyde Tombaugh.

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Answers:

- 1. Mercury is the closest planet to the sun.
- 2. Jupiter is the largest planet in the solar system.
- 3. Venus is named after the Roman goddess of love and beauty.
- 4. **Saturn** is the sixth planet from the sun.
- 5. **Pluto** is the furthest planet from the sun.
- 6. The temperature of the surface of Venus is almost 900°F.
- 7. The **sun** is the star at the centre of our solar system.
- 8. **Neptune** is named after the Roman god of the sea.
- 9. Jupiter is the fifth planet from the sun.
- 10. **Neptune** is the eighth planet from the sun.
- 11. It takes **earth** 365¹/₄ days to orbit the **sun**.
- 12. In Roman mythology, **Uranus** was Saturn's father.
- 13. Pluto's moon is called **Charon**.
- 14. Mars is the fourth planet from the sun.
- 15. Pluto was discovered in 1930 by Clyde Tombaugh.