An Amazing Fact a Day

Planet Fact Match-Up

Amazing Fact

The surface area of Russia is bigger than the surface area of Pluto.

Challenge

Read the facts carefully and place the correct number in the box below each picture.

You may wish to use the Internet or non-fiction books to help!

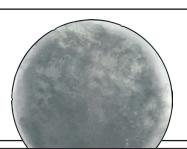
Facts

- 1. This planet is home to Olympus Mons, the largest volcano found in the solar system.
- 2. This planet gets very hot up to 800 degrees Fahrenheit because it is the closest to the Sun.
- 3. The third planet from the Sun and the fifth-largest planet.
- 4. The solar system's brightest planet, which has a rapidly spinning atmosphere.
- 5. This distant object is known as a 'dwarf planet'.
- 6. An average star, which makes up about 99 percent of the solar system's weight.
- 7. The largest planet in the solar system and a gas giant.
- 8. This planet was named after the father of Saturn; the Roman God.
- 9. This is another gas giant, and the 8th planet from the Sun.
- 10. This second-largest planet is so light that if there were a bathtub big enough, it would float in water.

Saturn	Uranus	Neptune	Jupiter	The Sun
Mars	Mercury	Earth	Venus	Pluto

You could also try to find out:

- how Pluto compares in size to the Moon;
- why Pluto is now known as a dwarf planet;
- the relationship between Pluto and its moon Charon.





Planet Fact Match-Up **Answers**

Saturn 10	Uranus 8	Neptune 9	Jupiter 7	The Sun 6
Mars 1	Mercury 2	Earth 3	Venus 4	Pluto 5

