

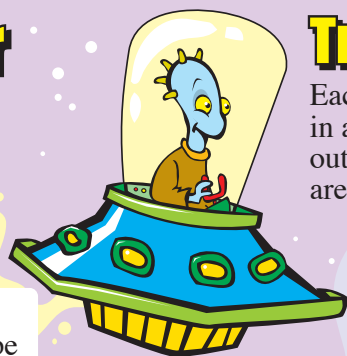
# Kid Scoop

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## Make Space for Reading the Newspaper Every Day!

Read the newspaper for a few minutes every day and you will be on your way to success in school and life! *Kid Scoop* is fun to read once a week, but what can you do on the other days of the week?

This week, use *Kid Scoop* all week long. We have created a fun newspaper reading game for each day of the week!



## Travel the Solar System!

Each time you read 10 column inches of the newspaper, color in a planet in our solar system. When you reach Neptune, cut out the sun and wear it as a badge to let everyone know you are a star reader!

### DAYS 1-3 Planet Adjectives

Read the short description of each of the eight planets, plus the dwarf planet, Pluto. Each day, look through the newspaper for adjectives that describe three planets. Glue the adjectives near the planet they describe.

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify adjectives.

#### NEPTUNE

Hold on to your hats! Neptune is storms, storms and more storms!

#### MARS

The Romans named Mars after their god of war, because its color reminded them of blood.

#### VENUS

Covered with a poisonous acid, Venus is the hottest planet in our solar system. The planet's thick clouds let the heat in, but not out! This is called the *greenhouse effect*.

#### JUPITER

Jupiter is the largest and heaviest planet. If it was hollow, more than 1,000 Earths could fit inside.

#### DWARF PLANET PLUTO

Farthest from the sun, Pluto is colder than all the other planets and dark all the time, even during the day.

#### MERCURY

Closest to the sun, Mercury's days are a whopping 800° F and at night the temperature drops to 300° F BELOW zero!

#### EARTH

Not too hot and not too cold, it is the only planet where we know there is life.

#### SATURN

Saturn is nearly as big as its neighbor, Jupiter, but it is not so heavy. Scientists say that if you could find an ocean big enough, Saturn would float.

#### URANUS

Uranus has rings just like Saturn, but the rings go around the planet up and down like a ferris wheel. Through a telescope, this icy planet looks greenish-blue.

Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know that each planet has unique characteristics.

### Extra! Extra! DAY 5

Pretend you are sending a package into space that, if life exists on other planets, will tell about life on Earth. Look through today's newspaper to find pictures and articles that you would put into your package. Tell why you selected each one.

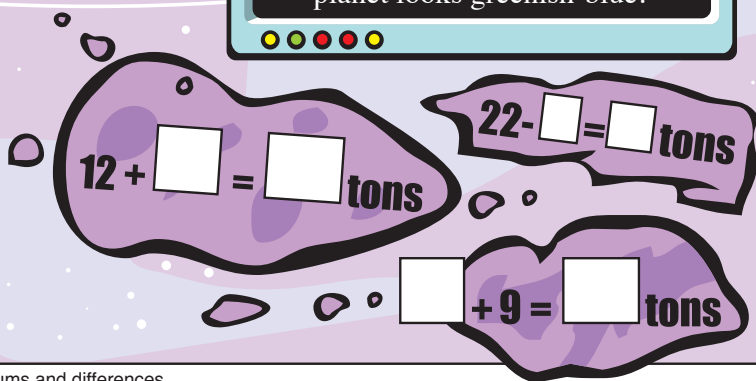
Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know that Earth has distinct characteristics.

### DAY 4

#### How heavy is the asteroid?

Asteroids are space rocks that orbit the sun between Mars and Jupiter. They come in all shapes and sizes.

Look through the newspaper for a number to put into each of the boxes on the asteroids. Do the math and find out what each asteroid weighs!

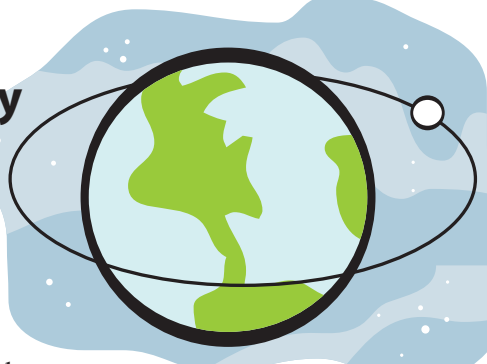


Standards Link: Number Sense: Compute sums and differences.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### DAY 6 Satellite Story

The moon is a satellite. A satellite is a smaller object that orbits around a larger one. Some satellites, like moons, are natural. Others are man-made. People have launched man-made satellites into orbit around the Earth to take pictures of clouds and land forms, and to study space.



#### Natural or Man-Made?

Look through the newspaper and find five things that are natural. Then find five things that are man-made.

Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know that the Moon orbits the Earth; some objects moving in the sky are natural and some are man-made.

### Double Double Word Search

- PLANETS
- JUPITER
- PLUTO
- MERCURY
- URANUS
- SATELLITE
- VENUS
- EARTH
- MARS
- SATURN
- NEPTUNE
- SPACE
- ORBIT
- STAR

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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 U T R S E L C N B E  
 O R R V L T P U I N  
 U A A E D T I T T A  
 M E T N E C A P S L  
 T A S U U H E E U P  
 S M O S O S N N S J

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

**DAY 7** Find words in the newspaper that begin with the first letter of each of the eight planets in our solar system. Use the words to write a sentence that will help you remember the order of the planets. (For example: My Very Eager Mother Just Served Us Nachos.)

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Recognize beginning sounds.

## How do robots shave?

ANSWER: With a laser blade.

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