

The Post

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All About Jupiter

by Michael

Jupiter has dense clouds that consist of frozen crystals that contain ammonia and methane. Jupiter is named for the King of Gods because it is the biggest planet. Did you know that Jupiter has a mass that is 318 times more than Earth? Jupiter has 16 satellites. The four largest moons are called the Galilean Satellites. I hope you learned a lot about Jupiter.

Is Pluto Really a Planet?

by Erin

Yes, Pluto really is a planet. A planet is a special term applied to the larger members of our solar system that follow two rules. Rule 1: a planet must orbit the sun. Rule 2: it must be large enough that its own gravity is strong enough to maintain a spherical shape.

There are certain properties we expect to see in a planet, such as an atmosphere and dynamic,

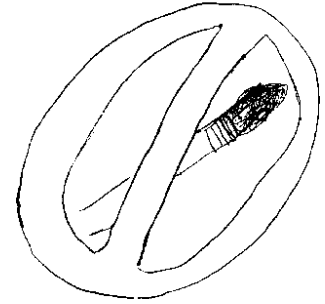
Be Smart! Don't Start Smoking!

by Jenna

Be smart and don't start to smoke. Did you know women who smoke have at least a 10 times greater likelihood of lung cancer than non-smoking women? Between 1960 and 1990, the death rate among women who smoke increased by more than 400%.

Smoking by women in the United States is associated with almost as many deaths from heart disease as from deaths from lung cancer, more than 61,000 each year. Each year, about 8,000 women die from strokes attributable to smoking. Look at all the things that could happen if you smoke. Before you start a deadly habit, stop smoking!

active surfaces at some stage in their history. Pluto is far too big to behave anything like the tiny chunks of ice we call comets. No, Pluto is not an asteroid. Pluto is not a comet, either. Scientists say Pluto is a planet.



Smoking is Wrong

by Brandon

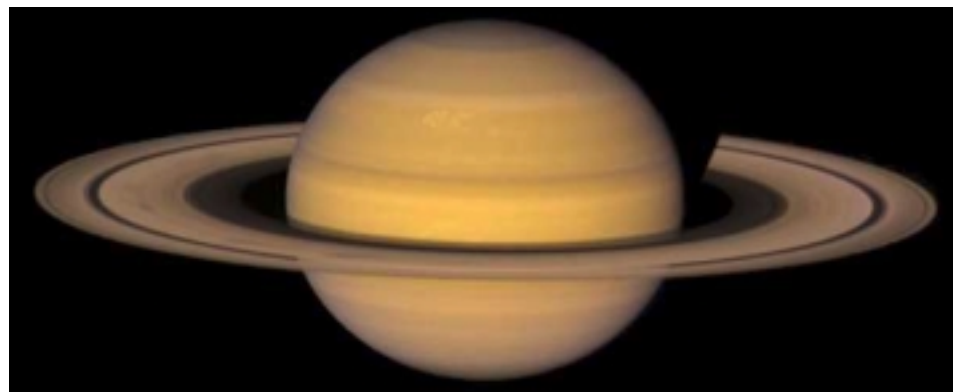
Smoking is very wrong. It affects your heart, brain, bloodstream and other parts of your body. It's possible to get diseases from smoking and you can even die. A lot of people these days are beginning to smoke. That's because they don't care what cigarettes do to their bodies. They think it makes them cool. Well, they're so wrong. Smoking can turn your lungs black and make it hard to breathe. You should make good choices. Don't smoke, someone loves you.

The Rings Around Planets

by Trevor

The rings around planets are very interesting. They are made of ice and meteors. Saturn has the largest ring system in our solar system. It is made up of over 20 different rings.

Rings are usually around gassy planets. For example, Saturn and Jupiter are both gassy planets and both of those planets have rings. Also, rings are always around outer



planets – for example, Uranus, Neptune, Jupiter and Saturn. The

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