

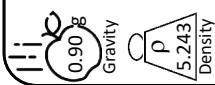
Planets Science Series:

Water in the Solar System

PLANETARY CARDS

Venus

The second planet from the Sun



Mercury

The first planet from the Sun



Games

Build the Solar System (2-5 players). Shuffle all cards randomly. Deal 6 cards to each player, leaving a draw pile. The first card played must be a planet or dwarf planet. Using the solar system location information on the card fronts, the next player must build on this card by playing (1) a card from the next to the right or left, (2) a moon of the planet - below, or (3) another card of the same planet - on top. A planet must be played before a moon of that planet can be played. Asteroids are played as planets (i.e., Jupiter cannot be played next to Mars). A player who can't play draws one card from the pile. If the drawn card plays they may play it, otherwise they are skipped, or are skipped if there are no more cards in the draw pile. The object is to be the first to play all their cards. To play several rounds, one may keep score with the water droplet values - whoever has the least water wins.

Acretion (2-5 players). Like the card game war or battle, the objective is to win all the cards. Alternatively, the player who collects most of the water in the solar system could be declared the winner. Shuffle all cards randomly. Deal all cards evenly among all players. In unison, each player reveals the top card of their deck, front up. Using the information on the card fronts, the player with the highest gravity value takes all the cards played and moves them to their deck. If two cards have equal gravity values, there is a battle. Battling players place the next card of their deck front down and then another card front up. The owner of higher front up card wins the battle and adds all cards to their deck.

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PLANETS Cards

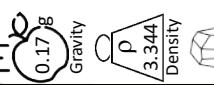
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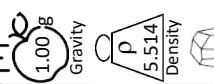
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Earth's moon



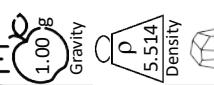
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The third planet from the Sun



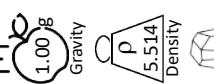
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Games (continued)

ATMOSPHERE



46 The atmosphere of Venus consists of 0.002% water vapor.



Venus' atmosphere observed from the Pioneer Venus orbiter.

About the Cards

There are 54 cards (not including the introduction cards). For some planetary bodies there are multiple cards - representing different water reservoirs.

On the front: The number in the falling apple icon is the surface gravity relative to Earth's ($1\text{ g} = \text{Earth's surface gravity}$). The number in the weight icon with the symbol ' r ' is the average density of the body, in g/cm^3 (the density of water is 1 g/cm^3). The icons (Rock, Ice, Gas) indicate what the body is mostly made of. The number in the circle icon is the radius of the body (in km). The scale model indicates the location of the planetary body in the solar system. 1 AU (Astronomical Unit) = the average Earth-Sun distance.

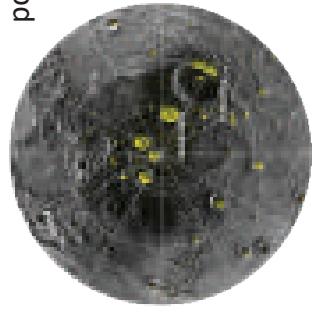
On the back: The number in the water droplet icon indicates the amount of water in each reservoir on each planetary body. The numbers range from 0 to 285. The water droplet values are mathematically related to the estimated volume of water on each planetary body. To learn more about the water droplet values and how they can be used to calculate the estimated amount of water on each body, please visit our website: <https://planets-stem.org>

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SURFACE



16 Water ice is present on Mercury in permanently shadowed craters near the poles.



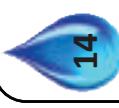
Yellow areas, mapped using radar, represent polar deposits that might contain pockets of water ice.

Be Creative. Try to come up with your own games, or try using them as flash cards to study and learn the characteristics of different planetary bodies. And have fun!

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SUBSURFACE



14 On Earth, water is held underground as liquid water and ice, also known as groundwater and ground ice.



Groundwater exposed by digging a hole in the sand.

SURFACE



155 Surface water is present on Earth in the form of oceans, lakes, rivers, ice caps, and glaciers.



True color mosaic of the Earth, based on images from the Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer.

ATMOSPHERE



3 On average, Earth's atmosphere contains 0.4% water vapor.

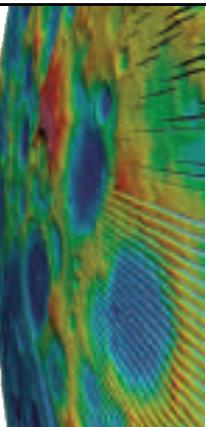


Earth's atmosphere observed from the International Space Station.

SURFACE



4 Earth's Moon has small amounts of water frozen in permanently shadowed craters.



Topographic image of Moon's South Pole, from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter mission, shows craters that are never exposed to sunlight.

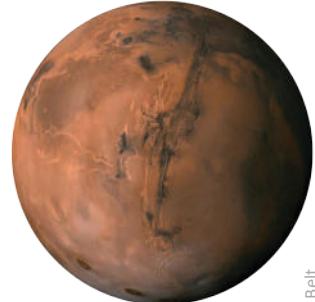
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The fifth planet from the Sun



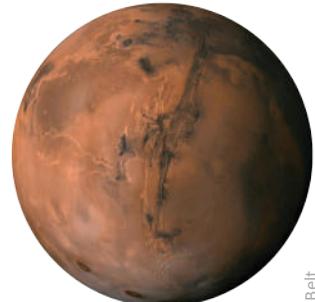
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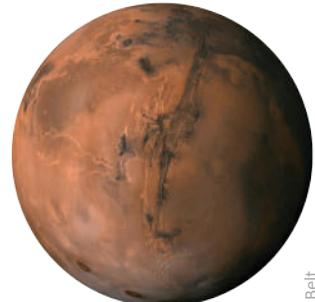
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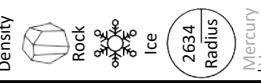
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Ganymede

The largest moon of Jupiter



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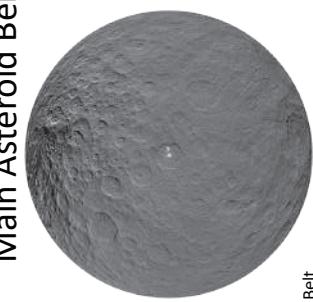
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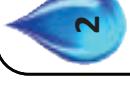
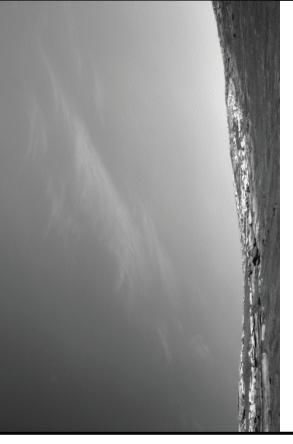
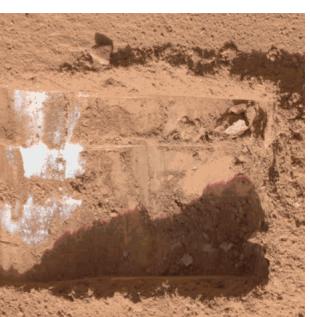
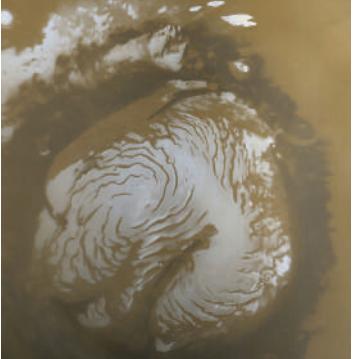
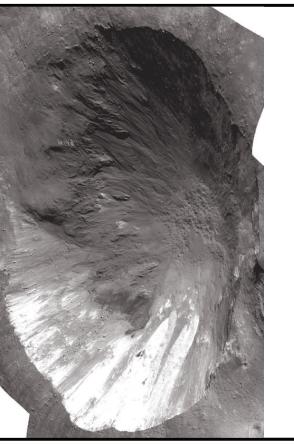
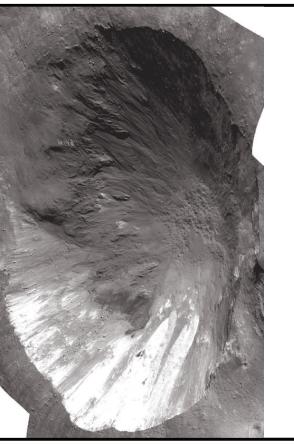
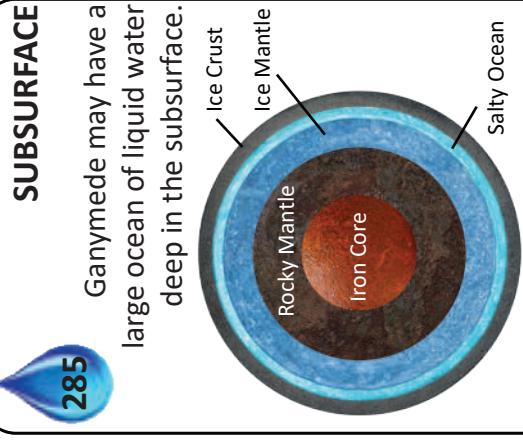
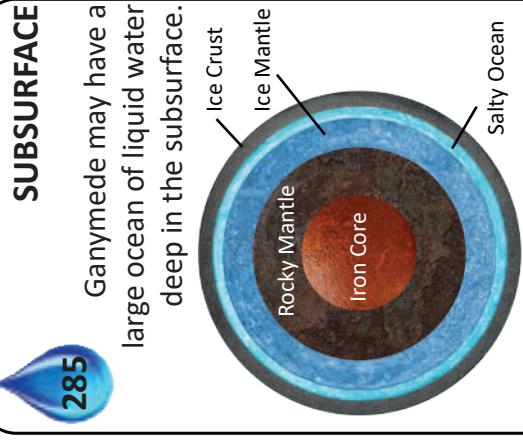
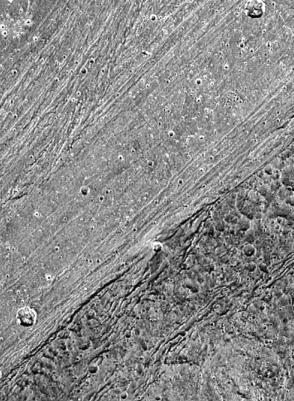
The second largest object in the Main Asteroid Belt



Ceres

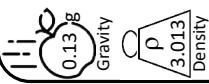
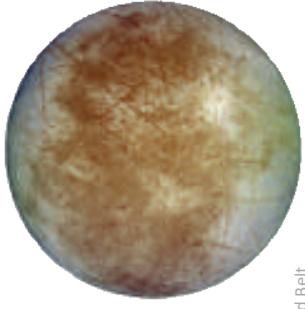
Dwarf planet and largest object in the Main Asteroid Belt



ATMOSPHERE		SURFACE	SUBSURFACE
 2	Mars' atmosphere contains traces of water, often visible as water-ice clouds.		 The Phoenix Mars lander discovered ground ice while digging troughs near the north polar region.
 42	Water ice is found on Mars at the polar caps.		 Model of the interior of Ceres.
 22	Water ice is found on Mars as ground ice and potential glacial deposits.		 Model of the interior of Ceres.
ATMOSPHERE		SURFACE	SUBSURFACE
 0	Vesta almost certainly does not have water ice today.		 Gullies in a crater on Vesta, imaged by the Dawn spacecraft, likely formed by dry processes like landslides.
 285	Ganymede may have a large ocean of liquid water deep in the subsurface.		 Model of the interior of Ganymede.
 32	The Juno spacecraft orbiting Jupiter is trying to determine how much water is in its atmosphere.		 Ganymede's icy crust observed by the Galileo spacecraft.

Europa

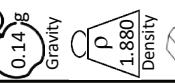
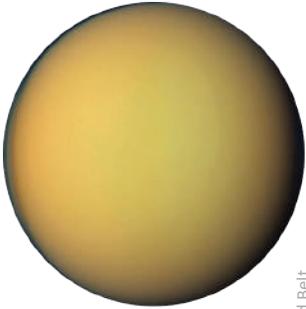
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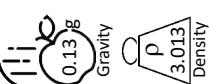
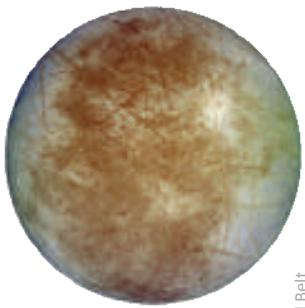
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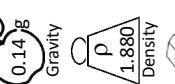
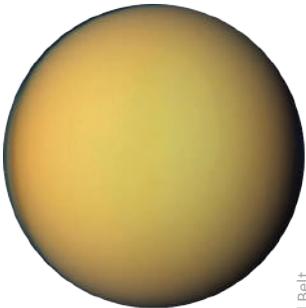
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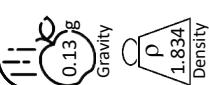
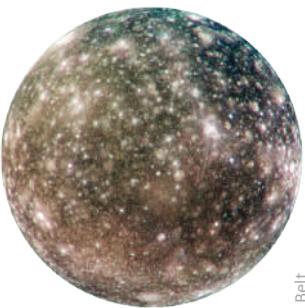
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Callisto

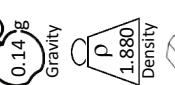
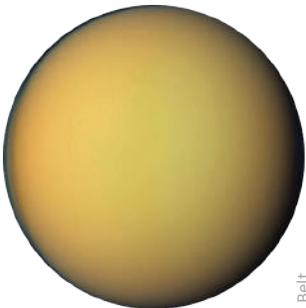
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Titan

The largest moon of Saturn



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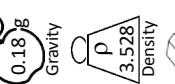
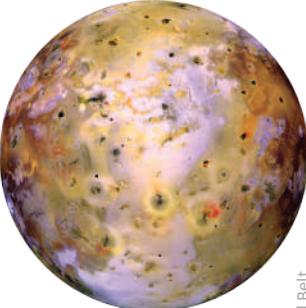
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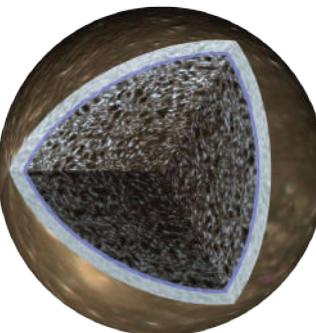
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SUBSURFACE

244 Callisto is thought to have a deep underground ocean of salty liquid water.



Model of the interior of Callisto.

SURFACE

0 Io is the most volcanically active body in the solar system, but has no water.



Active volcanic processes were observed on Io by the Galileo spacecraft.

SURFACE

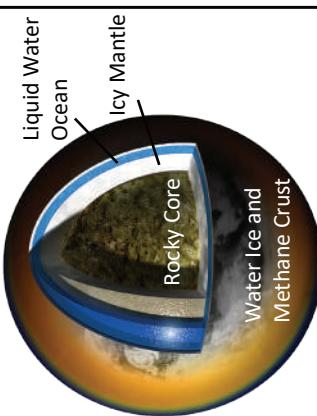
27 The surface of Callisto is made up of a mixture of water ice and rock.



The surface of Callisto observed by the Galileo spacecraft.

SUBSURFACE

255 Titan is thought to have an extremely salty subsurface ocean of liquid water.



Model of the interior of Titan.

SUBSURFACE

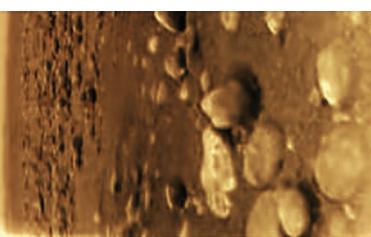
175 Deep beneath Europa's icy shell may be a layer of liquid or mostly liquid water.



Model of the liquid water ocean deep in Europa's subsurface.

SURFACE

28 Titan's surface is a mix of water ice and hydrocarbon ice.



Rounded rocks and pebbles made of water ice, observed by the Huygens probe.

SURFACE

19 The surface of Europa is covered in water ice.



Grooves in the ice on Europa's surface, observed by the Galileo spacecraft.

ATMOSPHERE

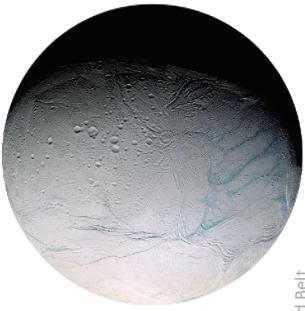
0 Titan's thick atmosphere contains mostly nitrogen and methane, with very little water.



Titan's layered atmosphere: image captured by the wide-angle camera on the Cassini spacecraft.

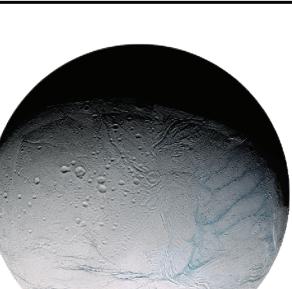
Enceladus

The sixth largest moon of Saturn



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Saturn

The sixth planet from the Sun

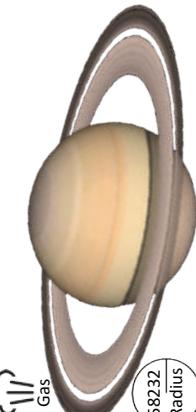


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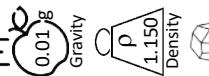


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Mimas

The seventh largest moon of Saturn

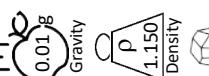
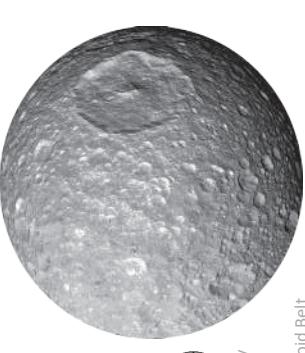


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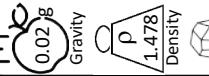


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Dione

The fourth largest moon of Saturn

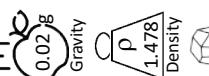


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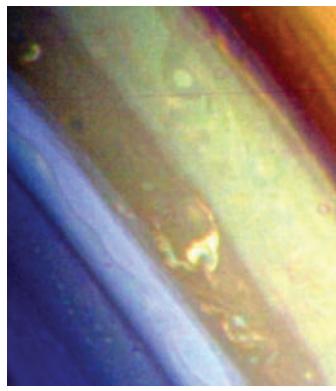
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ATMOSPHERE



72 Saturn's atmosphere contains trace water vapor.



Enhanced color image of Saturn's atmosphere observed by the Cassini spacecraft.

RINGS



91 Saturn's rings are mostly made of water ice.



Color variations in Saturn's rings as seen by the Cassini spacecraft.

SUBSURFACE



81 Enceladus may contain a subsurface ocean of liquid water.

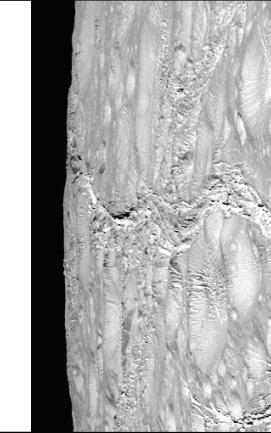


Plumes of water vapor and ice erupting from fractures were detected by the Cassini spacecraft.

SURFACE



9 The surface of Enceladus is covered in water ice.

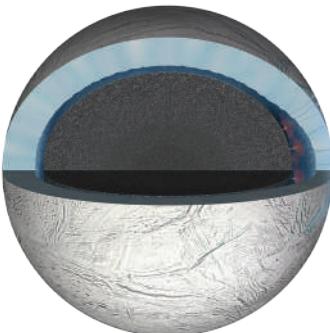


View of the north pole of Enceladus observed by the Cassini spacecraft.

SUBSURFACE



129 Dione may contain a deep subsurface ocean of liquid water.

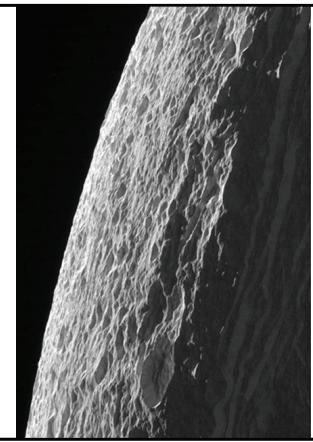


Model of the interior of Dione.

SURFACE



14 Saturn's moon, Dione, has a mostly water ice surface.

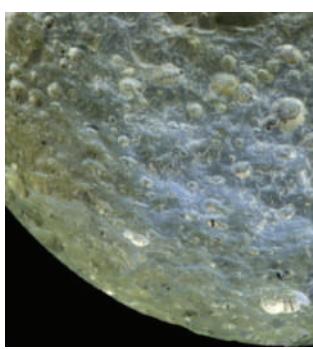


The surface of Dione observed by the Cassini spacecraft.

SUBSURFACE



79 Based on its density, Mimas is made of mostly water ice.

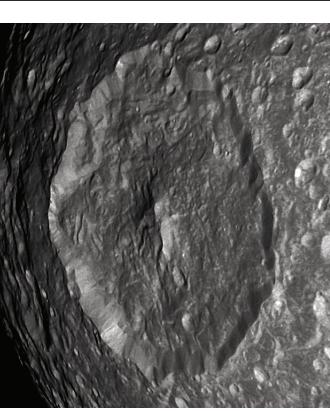


Enhanced color image captured by the Cassini spacecraft shows different colors that may be caused by different ices.

SURFACE



9 Mimas' surface is mostly made of water ice.



Herschel impact crater, 130 km across, observed by the Cassini spacecraft.

Rhea

The second largest moon of Saturn



Rock



Ice

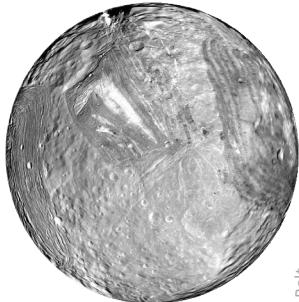


Radius



Miranda

The fifth largest moon of Uranus



Rock



Ice



Radius



Rhea

The second largest moon of Saturn



Rock



Ice



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Tethys

The fifth largest moon of Saturn



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Iapetus

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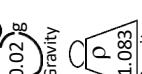


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Iapetus

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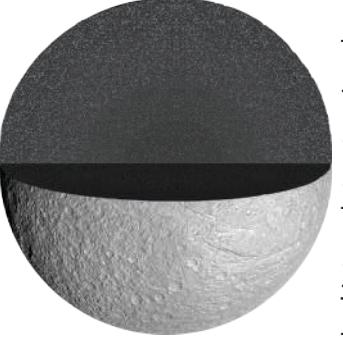
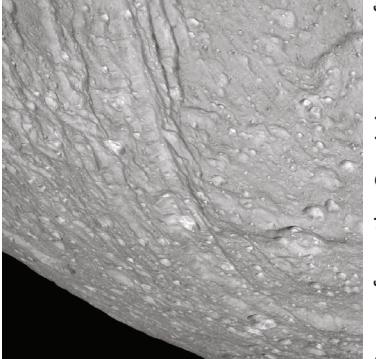
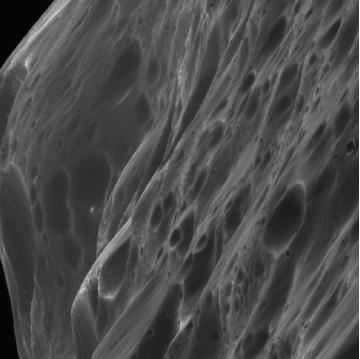
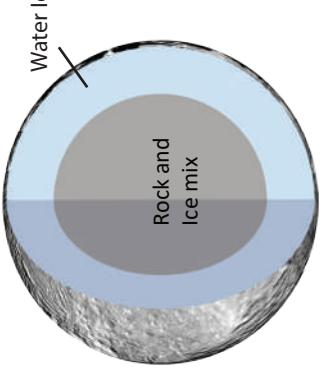
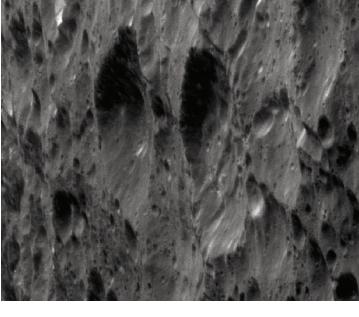
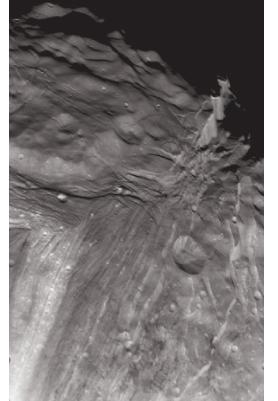


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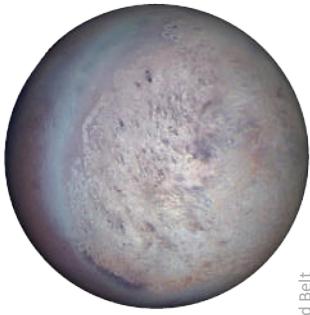
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<p>SUBSURFACE</p> <p>141 Based on its density, Rhea is made of mostly water ice.</p>  <p>Rhea's internal structure is unknown. It may not be divided into layers.</p>	<p>SUBSURFACE</p> <p>86 The density of Miranda suggests that it is mostly made of water ice.</p>  <p>Model of the interior of Miranda.</p>
<p>SURFACE</p> <p>16 Rhea's surface is mostly made of water ice.</p>  <p>Rhea's cratered surface observed by the Cassini spacecraft.</p>	<p>SURFACE</p> <p>10 The surface of Miranda is covered in water ice.</p>  <p>The surface of Miranda observed by the Voyager 2 spacecraft.</p>

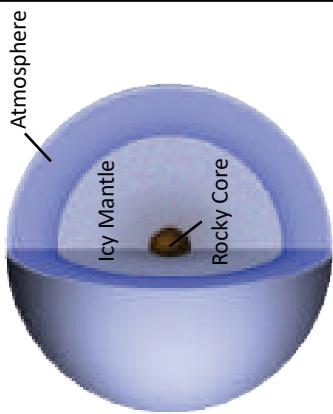
Triton

The largest moon
of Neptune



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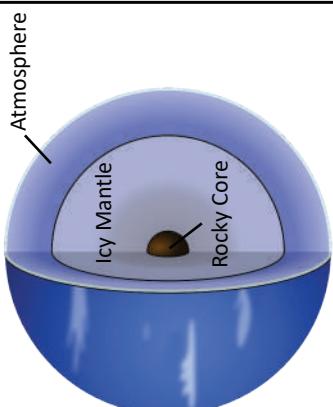
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Model of the interior of Uranus.

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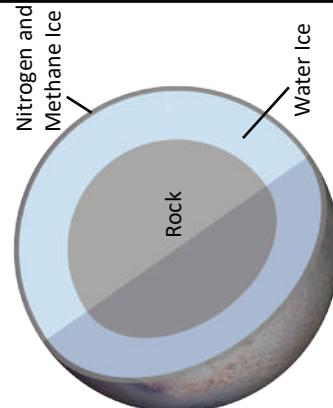
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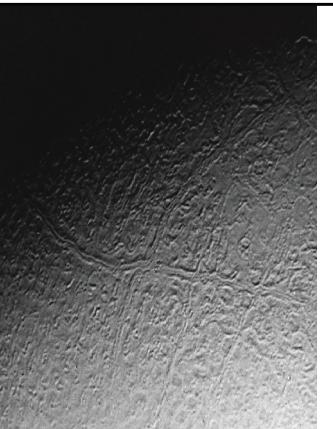
213 Triton may have a large liquid or slushy ocean deep beneath its frozen surface.



Model of the interior of Triton.

SURFACE

24 Neptune's moon Triton has a mostly water ice crust.

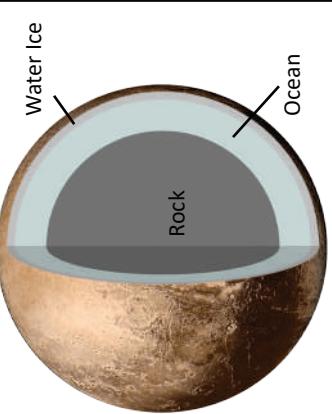


Dirty water ice on Triton, observed by Voyager 2.



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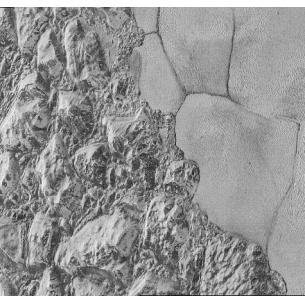
187 Pluto is thought to have a subsurface ocean, about 100 kilometers deep.



Model of the interior of Pluto.

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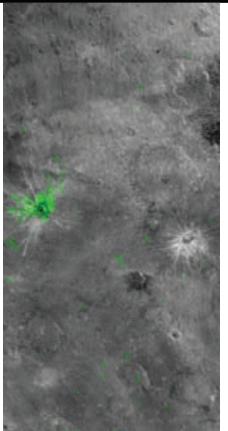
21 Pluto's surface is covered by a combination of nitrogen-rich ices and water ice.



Large blocks of water ice form mountains, observed by the New Horizons spacecraft.

SUBSURFACE

137 Charon has water ice in its subsurface that may have been liquid in the past, and it may have ice geysers today.



The New Horizons spacecraft imaged craters made of different materials, including water ice and ammonia ice.

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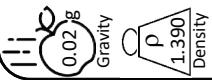
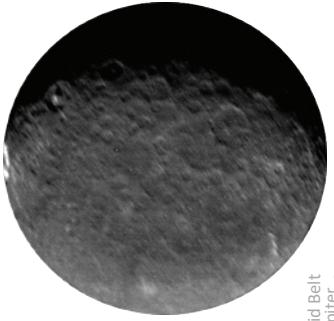
15 The surface of Charon contains a mixture of ices, including water ice.



The New Horizons spacecraft discovered a long, deep canyon that encircles Charon.

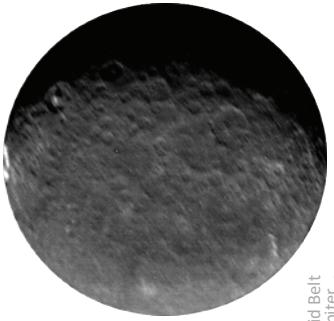
Ariel

The fourth largest moon of Uranus



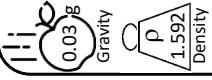
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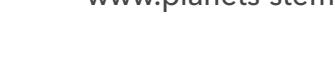
Oberon

The second largest moon of Uranus



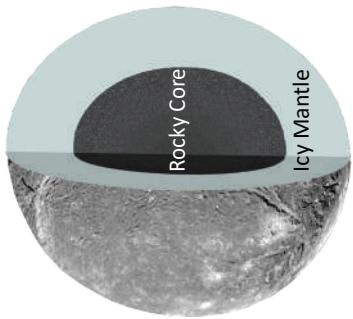
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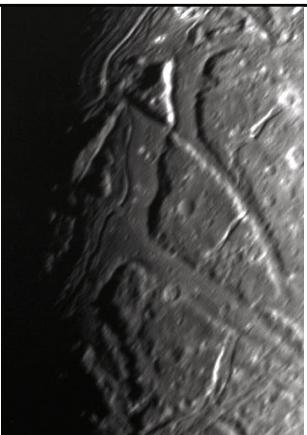
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Ariel may have a rocky core and an icy mantle, but much is still unknown.

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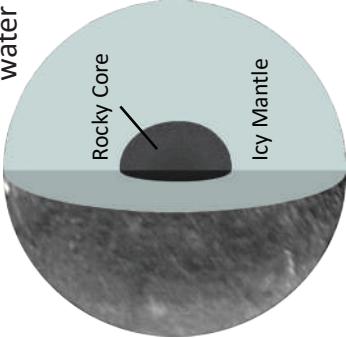
15 Ariel's surface is made of water ice and carbon dioxide ice.



Canyons and craters on Ariel's surface imaged by the Voyager 2 spacecraft.

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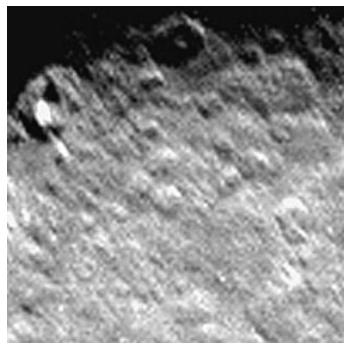
138 Based on its density, Umbriel is made of mostly water ice.



Umbriel may have a small rocky core and an icy mantle, but much is still unknown.

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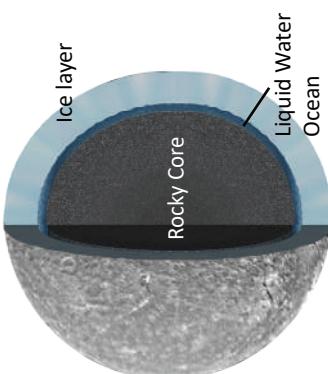
15 Umbriel's surface is made of water ice and carbon dioxide ice.



Umbriel's cratered surface imaged by the Voyager 2 spacecraft.

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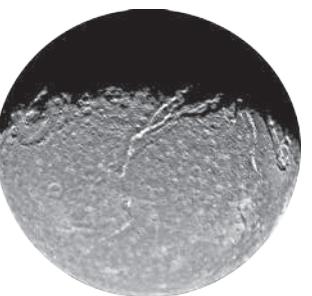
156 There may be a layer of liquid water at the boundary of Titania's core and mantle.



Model of the interior of Titania.

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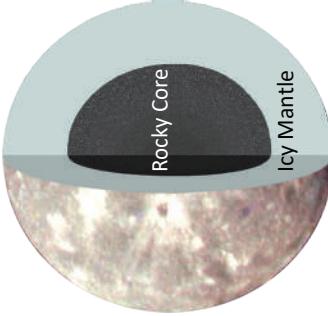
17 Titania's surface is made of water ice and carbon dioxide ice.



The Voyager 2 spacecraft captured images of Titania, showing craters as well as long rifts and canyons.

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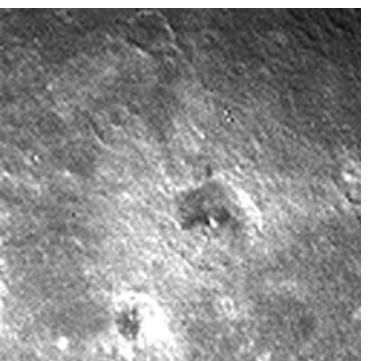
154 Based on its density, Oberon is made of about half rock and half water ice.



Oberon may have a rocky core and an icy mantle, but much is still unknown.

SURFACE

17 Oberon's surface is made of mostly water ice.



Oberon's surface imaged by the Voyager 2 spacecraft.