

Know Your Planets:

NEPTUNE!

This is a picture of Neptune. Color in the cross-section drawing below using what you've learned.

Name:

Neptune is named after the Roman god of the sea.

Size:

Neptune is the fourth largest planet in our solar system. It is almost four times larger than Earth. Uranus is its most similar planet.

What's It Made Of?:

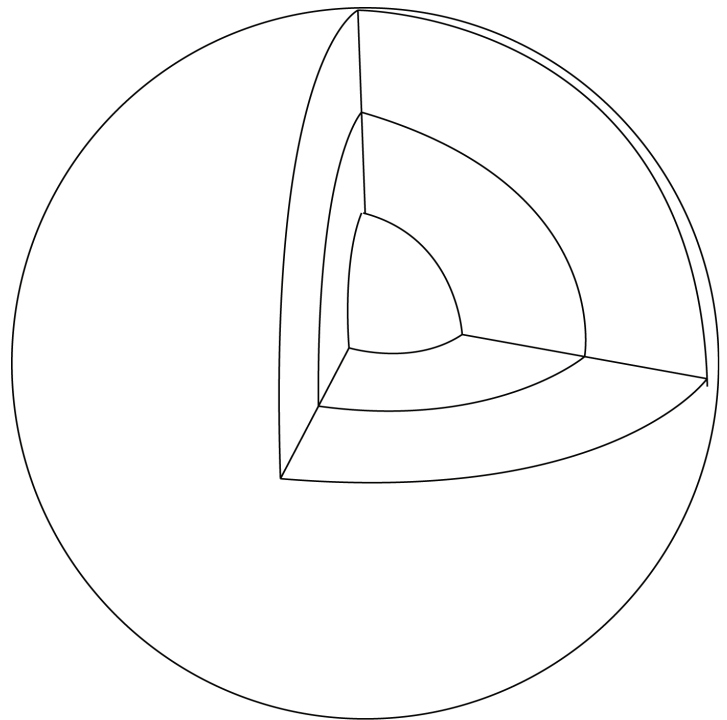
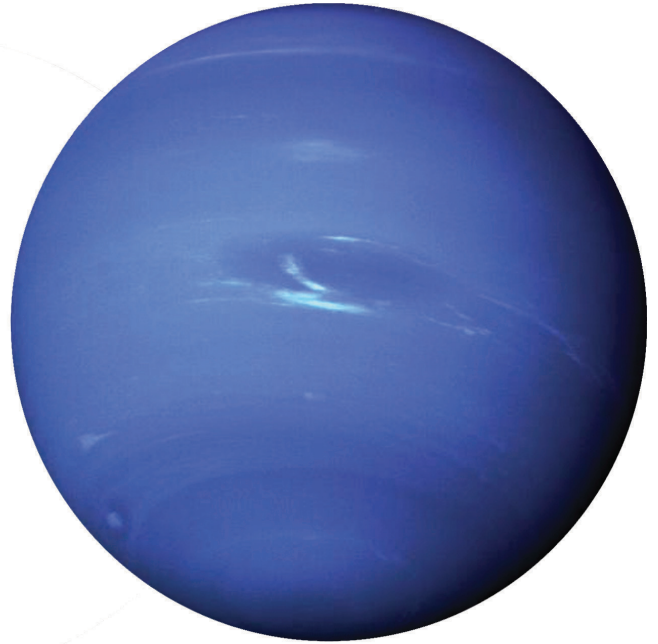
Neptune is one of the four gas giants. The outer crust is mostly helium and hydrogen gases with some methane. The mantle is frozen water, ammonia and methane. The core is ice with some rock and metals.

Where Is It?:

Neptune is the eighth planet from the sun. Of all the recognized planets it is the furthest from the sun.

Rings:

Like Saturn, Uranus and Jupiter, Neptune has rings around it. They may have come from an old moon that was hit and exploded into many tiny pieces. Saturn has the most distinct and visible rings.



Scrambles: Unscramble the words for the answer.

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Neptune is most similar to this planet:

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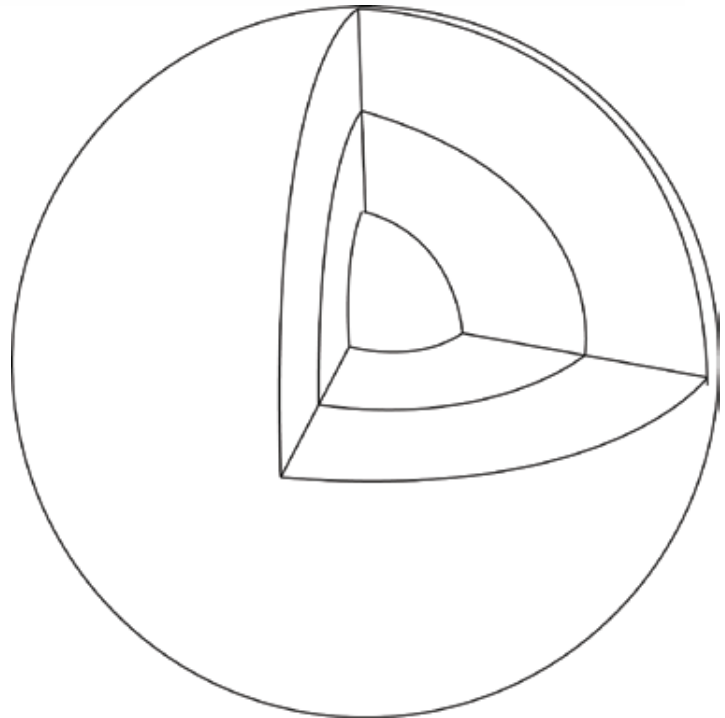
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