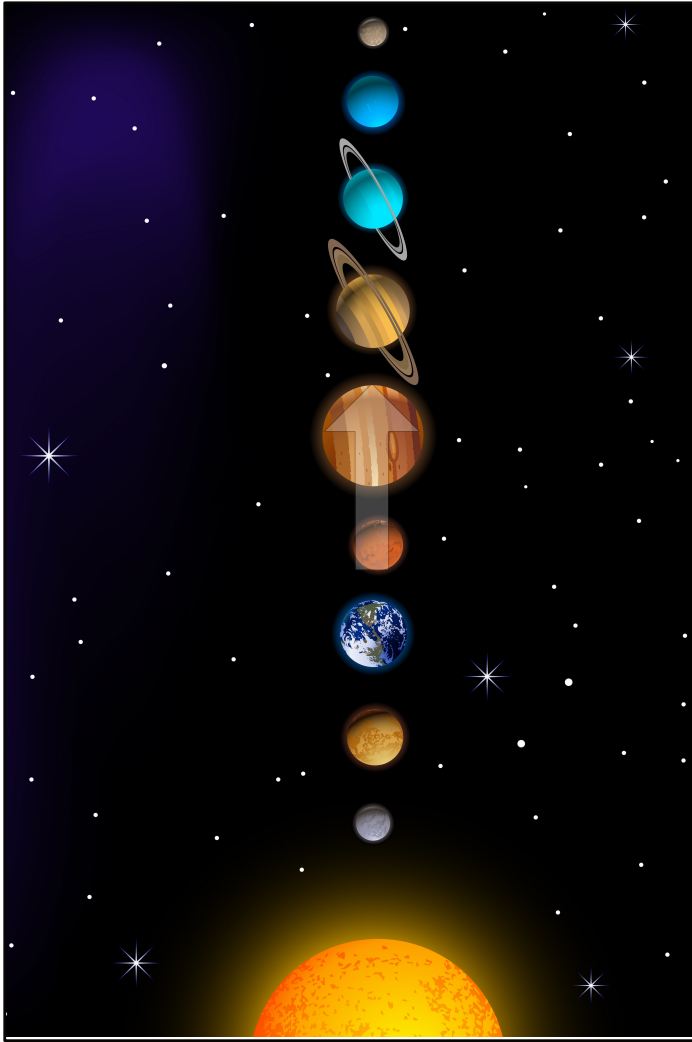


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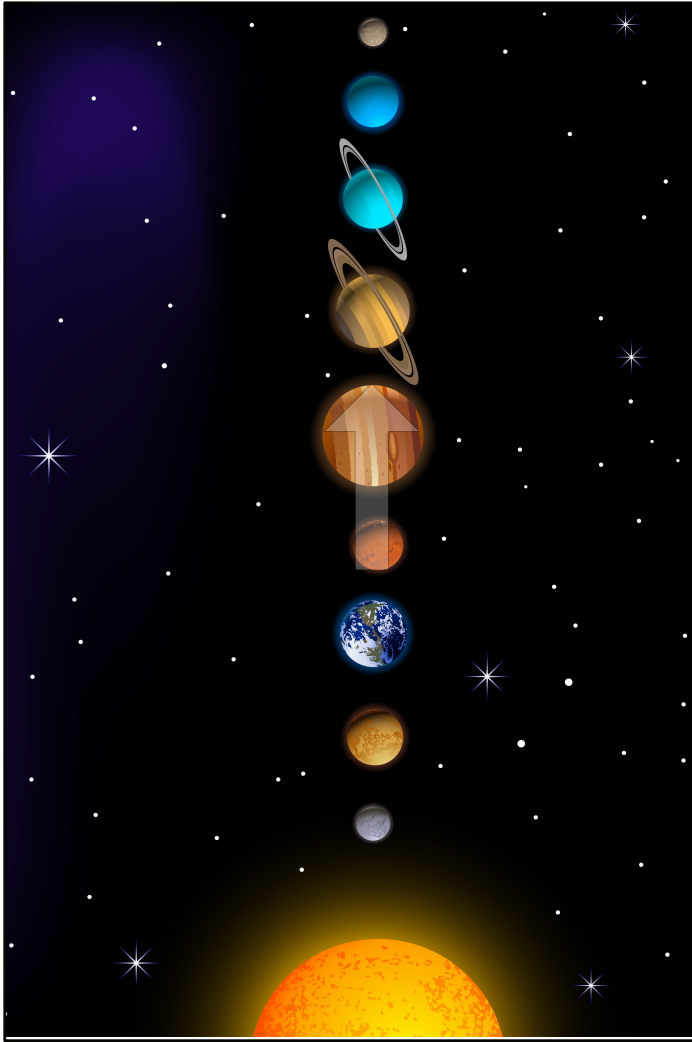
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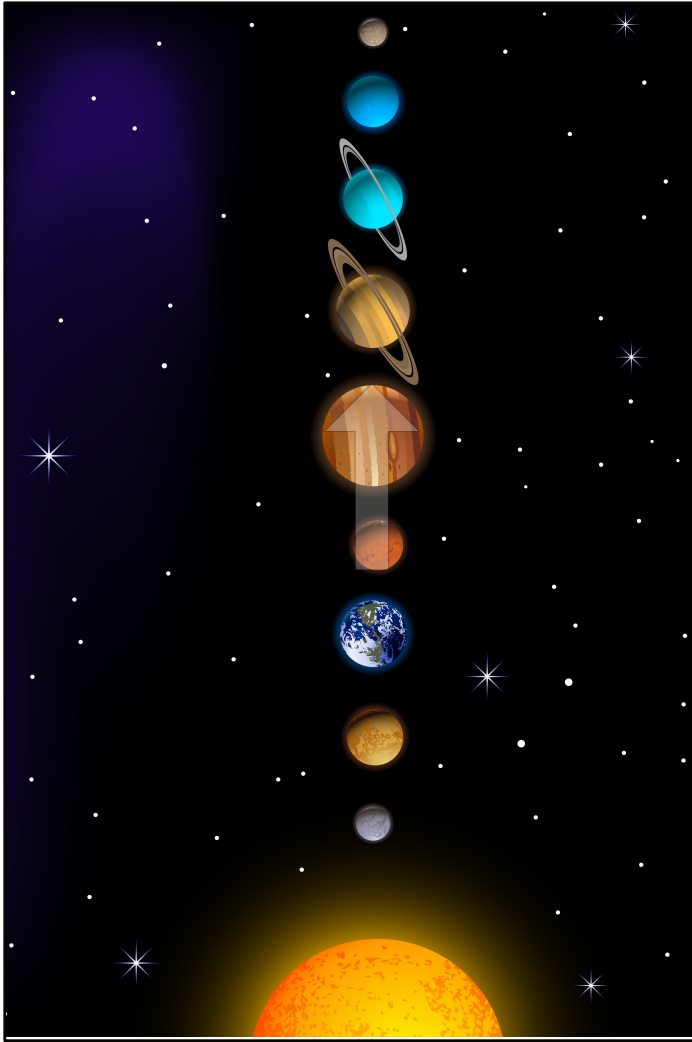
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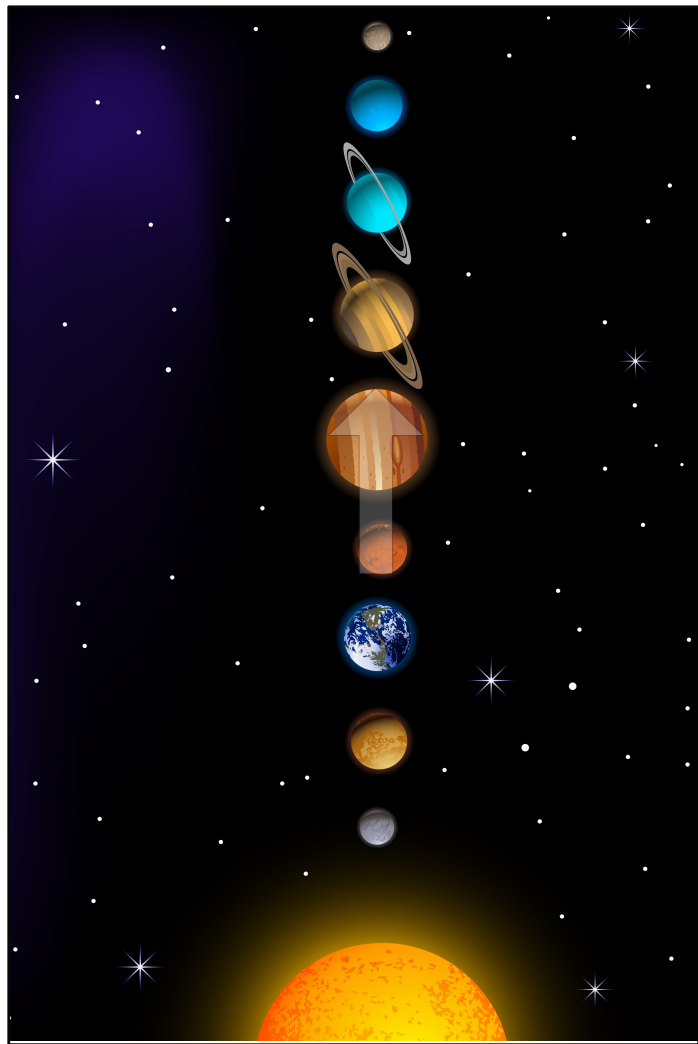
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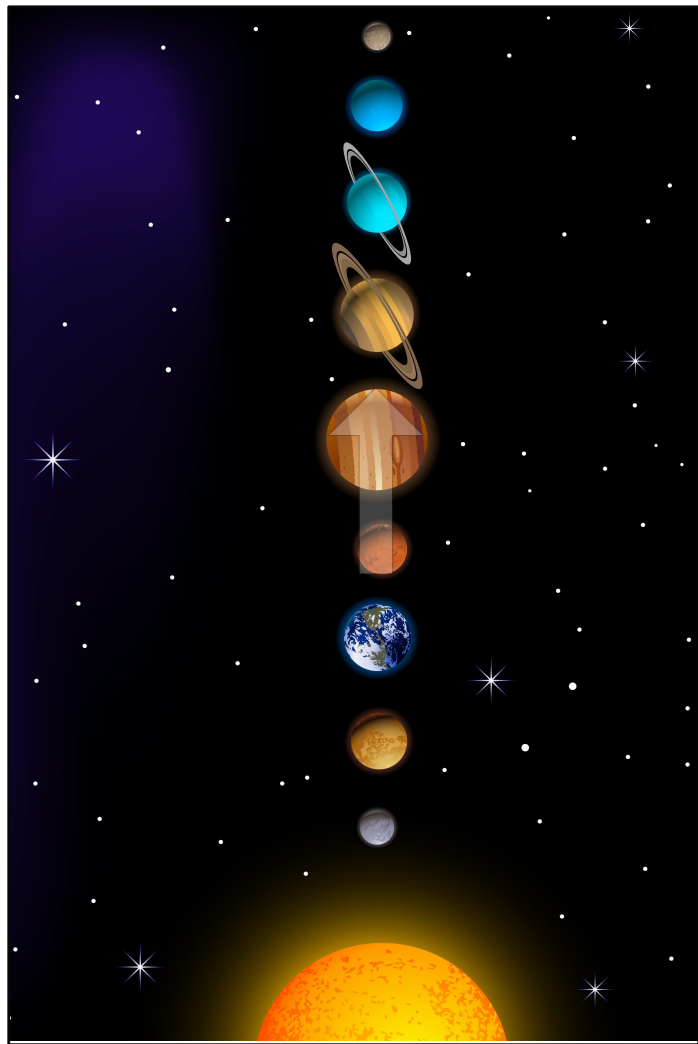
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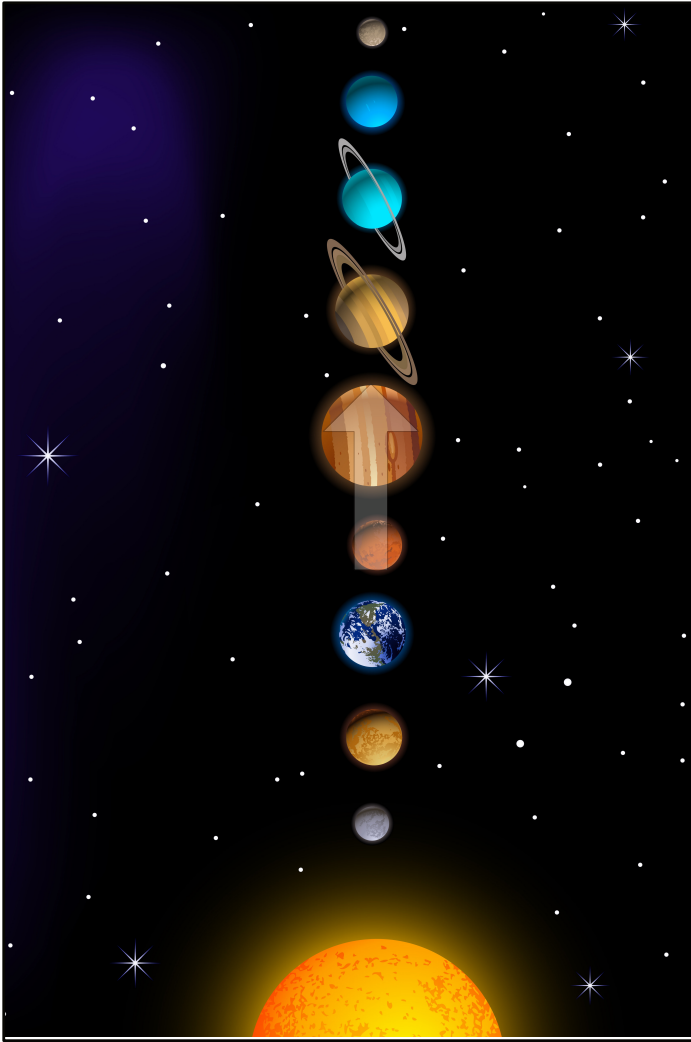
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Just for fun, the captions offer a bonus clue! Turn the page for the Answer!



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*You charlatan!*

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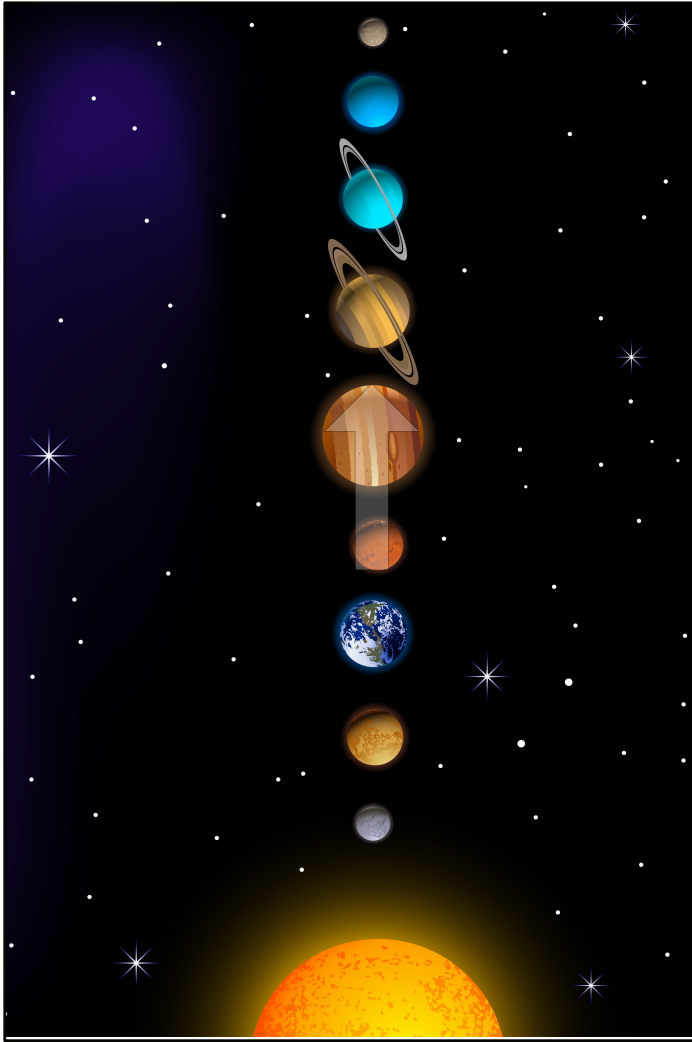
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*Aquarius/Let the Sunshine In*, by the 5<sup>th</sup> Dimension



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The disease was *syphilis*. Venus was the Goddess of love and prostitutes.



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