|  |                        | Date: |   |
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| SNC1D<br>Objects in our solar system:  | Meet Your Solar System |       |   |
| A planet is defined by the International Astronomical Uni                                | on (IAU) as            |       |   |
| Revolution:  |                        |       |   |
| Rotation:<br>The period of rotaion is called a<br>The planets are split into two groups: |                        |       | _ |
| Retrograde motion:   |                        |       |   |
|  |                        |       |   |
| Distances between the planets  |                        |       |   |
| astronomical unit (AU):  |                        |       |   |
|  |                        |       |   |

Why don't we us kilometres to measure the distance between planets?

| Planet  | Orbital<br>Radius<br>(AU) | Radius<br>(km) | Mass<br>(relative<br>to Earth) | Avg.<br>Surface<br>Temp. (°C) | Day Length<br>(rel. to 1<br>Earth day) | Year Length<br>(rel. to 1<br>Earth year) | Number of<br>Moons | Special Features |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|------------------|
| Mercury |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |
| Venus   |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |
| Earth   |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |
| Mars    |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |

## <u>The Inner Planets</u> (Use the information on pages 294-295 to complete these tables)

## The Outer Planets: also called

| Planet  | Orbital<br>Radius<br>(AU) | Radius<br>(km) | Mass<br>(relative<br>to Earth) | Avg.<br>Surface<br>Temp. (°C) | Day Length<br>(rel. to 1<br>Earth day) | Year Length<br>(rel. to 1<br>Earth year) | Number of<br>Moons | Special Features |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|------------------|
| Jupiter |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |
| Saturn  |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |
| Uranus  |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |
| Neptune |                           |                |                                |                               |  |  |                    |                  |

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| Trans-Neptunian Objects |   |
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| Oort Cloud              |   |
|                         |   |
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| Comets                  |   |
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| Comet tails             |   |
| Comertails              |   |
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| Asteroids               |   |
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| Meteoroids              |   |
| Mataana                 |   |
| Meteors                 |   |
| Meteorites              |   |
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