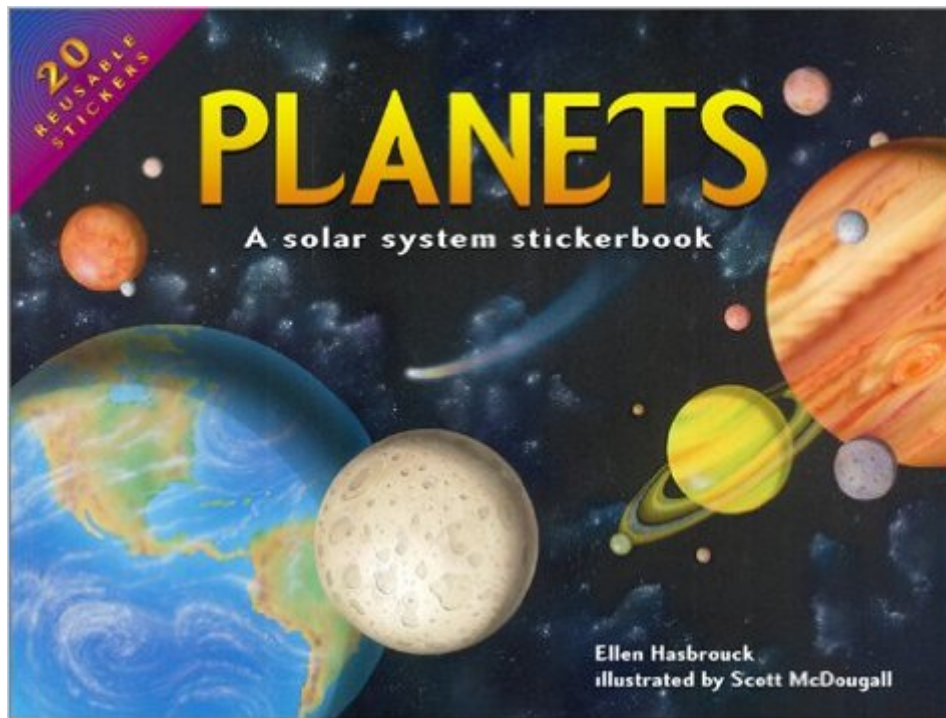


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Planets



Synopsis

Take a trip through the solar system and discover what's really up in the sky! Packed with fascinating facts about planets, comets, asteroids and more, Planets is a galaxy of fun for young astronomers...and everybody who gazes at the night sky! Create your own universe and solar system with reusable stickers of the planets, asteroids, galaxies, and comets!

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Customer Reviews

For me, the most striking portion of the book is the first part containing a poem about the planets. It's method of presentation in the book is just as well done. Unlike many of more crowded books on the solar system, it presents the solar system in more of a realistic environment: lots of uncluttered black space. The first page starts with an illustration of the sun against a mostly black background: "This is the sun, shining so bright, giving us the energy of heat and light." Turn a very small page, the first and smallest of nine progressively larger that eventually reach the full over-sized pages in the book. There you find Mercury with a brief poetic description of it and a repeating of the lines for the sun. Turn the next slightly larger page to see both Mercury and Venus. Here lines for Venus are found with a repeating of those for Mercury. Turn the next slight larger page and the pattern repeats until a full-sized page contains all nine planets and the lines for Pluto and Neptune. Turn the full-sized page and the completed poem, starting at the sun, is found. It's

thoughtful and well written. To fully appreciate the poem, some basic knowledge of the planets is necessary, such as Uranus spinning on its side, Mars being red and the crossing of Neptune's and Pluto's orbits. The following section, "Did You Know?" contains fairly detailed information about our universe, the solar system, the sun and planets. The book contains no photographs, but because of the vivid illustrations, this is not a problem. In one respect, the stickers are a bit disappointing. Although they claim to be reusable, they are very hard to remove when stuck to pages of the book. After discovering this, we haven't experimented with them very much.

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