

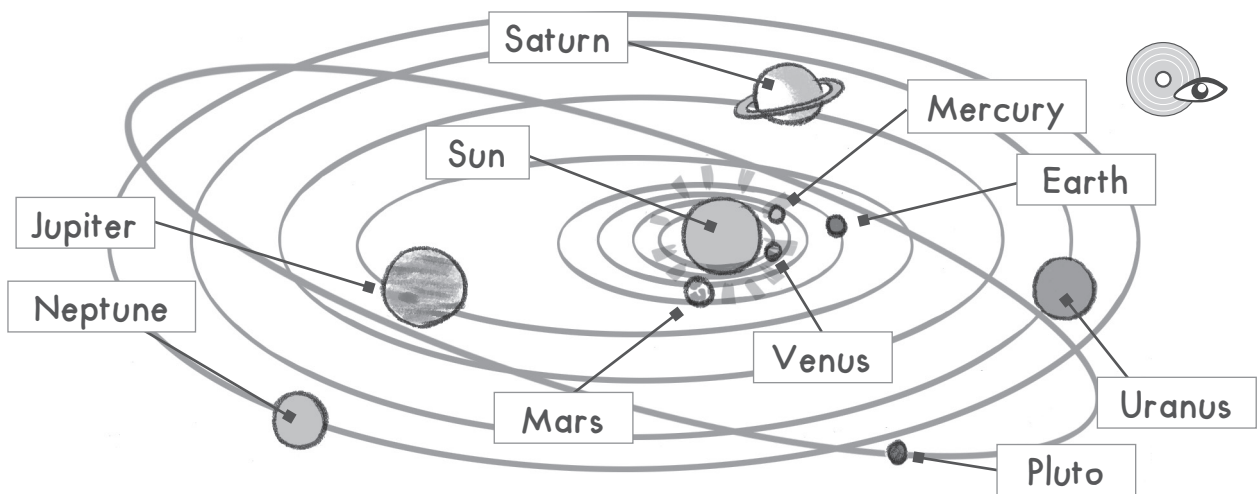
THE SUN AND THE SOLAR SYSTEM

1 Listen and read. 39

The Sun is a star: it gives out light and heat essential for all forms of life; without this energy animals and plants can't survive!

Eight planets orbit around the Sun. The Solar system is enormous!

2 Look, listen and complete. 40



Starting from the Sun:

The 1st planet is:

The 2nd planet is:

The 3rd planet is:

The 4th planet is:

The 5th planet is:

The 6th planet is:

The 7th planet is:

The 8th planet is:

Then there is Pluto, a dwarf planet.

3 Listen and number. 41

☐ Pluto is very small and very cold.

☐ Jupiter and Saturn are very big, liquid and gas planets.

☐ Uranus has got rings of rocks.

☐ Neptune has got rings of fire.

☐ Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars are small, rocky planets.

KEY VOCABULARY

Earth *Terra* • essential *essenziale* • heat *calore* • Jupiter *Giove* • life *vita* • light *luce* • Mars *Marte* • Mercury *Mercurio* • Neptune *Nettuno* • planet *pianeta* • Pluto *Plutone* • Saturn *Saturno* • star *stella* • Sun *Sole* • to survive *sopravvivere* • Uranus *Urano* • Venus *Venere* • without *senza*