

# Filling in the Missing Words

Name \_\_\_\_\_



## Lesson 1

### Sun, Moon and Mercury

#### Objectives of Activity

1. Develop research skills
2. Read and recall facts
3. Learn interesting facts about the planets and our solar system

#### How to:

Find the missing words – answers in Planetary Explanatory

<https://goodnightstarry.com/pages/planetary-explanatory-2>

#### How long would it take you to travel to the Sun?

If you flew to the Sun as fast as a jet airplane normally travels, it would take you \_\_\_\_\_ years to get there.

#### Why is it called the Sun?

English is part of a family of languages that came from Germany. And an old German word \_\_\_\_\_ was first used to describe that big, orangey thing in the sky.

In Old English, this gradually changed to \_\_\_\_\_ before it was shortened to 'Sun' in modern English.

#### Where did the Moon come from?

It is thought that the Moon was created from the remains of a planet (about the size of \_\_\_\_\_) that collided with the Earth around \_\_\_\_\_ billion years ago.

#### Why is the Moon holding a rabbit?

Many Asian and indigenous American people see the shape of a rabbit in the dark and light markings on the Moon, which they call the '\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_'.

#### Who is Mercury named after?

Mercury was named after the \_\_\_\_\_ God of \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Has anyone ever been to Mercury?

No human is likely to set foot on Mercury, as it's just too unpleasant.

So instead, we have sent over \_\_\_\_\_ unmanned spacecraft (or robotic probes) to Mercury over the years.