

SOLAR SYSTEM

Our planet is located in the solar system, which we might call its "neighbourhood". There are also other planets and celestial bodies. Compared to the size of the entire universe it is just a tiny spot.

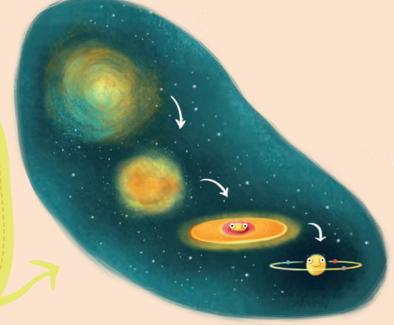


MILKY WAY

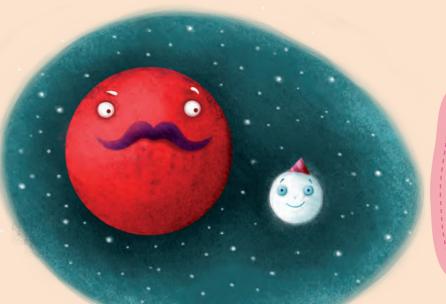
The solar system spreads through the huge galaxy – milky way. It is called so, because of its "milky" appearance. It is huge and full of stars! In comparison with other galaxies, however tiny. The universe is really a huge place!

BIRTH OF STARS

I am sure you have watched stars on a clear night. But how are stars born? Almost magically. In clouds of interstellar dust and gas. The gas starts to contract, tiny particles start to connect into a ball shape and then in the core occurs reaction lighting up the star. The entire process takes a very long time!







EXTINCTION OF STARS

When a little star exhausts, it begins to slowly crumble and shrink. When it is reduced to the smallest possible form the neutron star or white dwarf is born. Those are the final stages of star's life.

When a big star collapses a black hole is created. It is like a hoover which absorbs everything around it. Stars, gasses and even light! Fortunately, they are very distant from the earth. Phew!



GRAVITATION

Do you know what power is the most important in the entire universe? Gravity, of course! All objects having the weight impact each other with a force. We stand firmly on the ground and do not fly in the air like balloons. When we fall, we hit the ground hard. Astronauts enjoy floating in outer space, where they experience weightlessness.





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Come with us to discover things that are too small, too large, too slow or too fast to be seen by the naked eye. We'll take a close look, too, at the inside of things and what is in darkness. What are all the things that are alive in your body? Do you know what's in outer space? And what invisible things are all around us? When you open the flap and lift the window, you'll see immediately that things around us aren't as they seem.



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