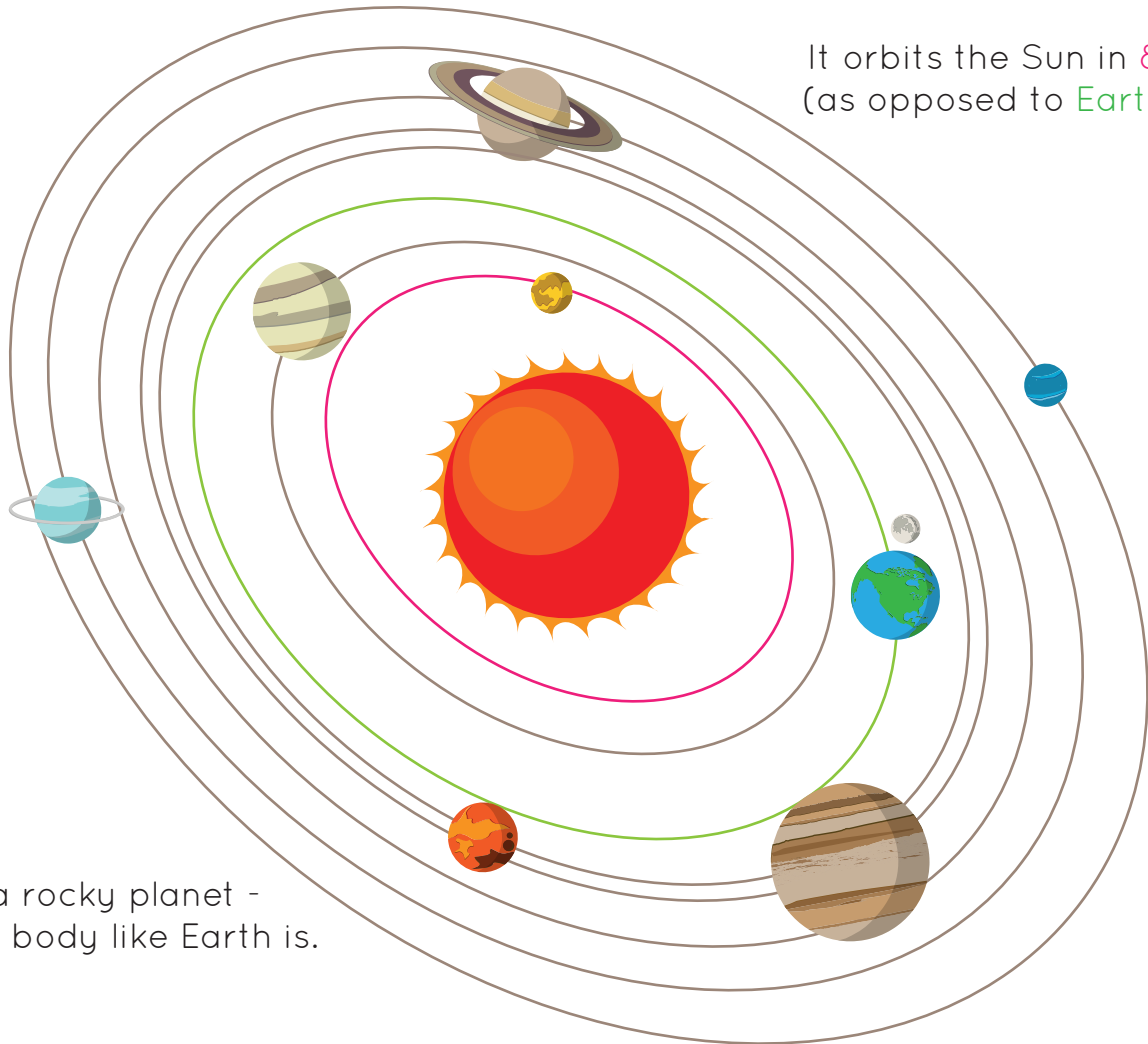


Facts about Mercury

It's the smallest planet and closest to the sun.

It orbits the Sun in **88 days**
(as opposed to **Earth's 365**).



It's a rocky planet -
a rocky body like Earth is.

It has no atmosphere.

As it's so close to the Sun
the temperatures
on this little planet can reach
427°C / 800°F by day.



It gets very cold at night
though as temperatures
can fall to -173° / -280°F
(talk about cold!).

It has no moons.