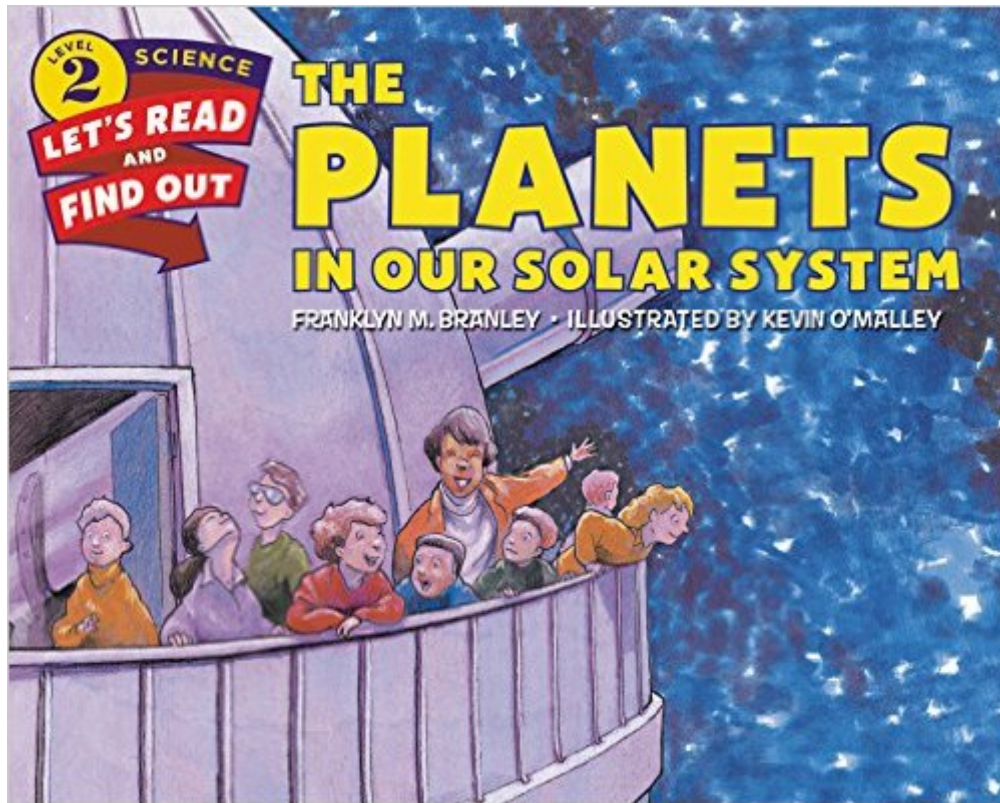


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# The Planets In Our Solar System (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 2)



## Synopsis

Where is it partly cloudy and 860° F? Venus! This classic picture book is a fascinating exploration of space written by children's nonfiction veteran and former chairman of the American Museum of Natural History's Hayden Planetarium Franklyn M. Branley and illustrated by Kevin O'Malley. Full of interesting facts about the eight planets in our solar system, including our very own Earth, this bestselling book also features photographs from Voyager and other space explorers. Now rebranded with a new cover look, this book features a find out more section with instructions for making your own solar system mobile and web research prompts about how to track the moon. Both text and artwork were vetted for accuracy by Jurrie van der Woude of NASA. This is a Level 2 Let's-Read-and-Find-Out, which means the book explores more challenging concepts perfect for children in the primary grades and supports the Common Core Learning Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. Let's-Read-and-Find-Out is the winner of the American Association for the Advancement of Science/Subaru Science Books & Films Prize for Outstanding Science Series.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

I home school our daughter and got this book from the library. I plan to purchase this book for our home school library because of the wealth of information it contains. It makes learning about the solar system an adventure. I really like the fact that the author included a section of craft ideas to reinforce what the child read in the book. He also included web sites so that you can really see the planets. I think every teacher should have this book!

The Planets in Our Solar System is a fun way to teach children about the solar system. Kids will enjoy the many fun facts in the book. With great illustrations and a section in the back of the book on crafts and reference to other space related material. This book is a wonderful book on astronomy. Also check out the book "Arty the Part-Time Astronaut" which includes a CD and website with a ton of learning activities and games. These two books made a great way to introduce the solar system to any child.

I purchased this book for my five year old son, who loves anything that has to do do with outerspace and the planets. This is a terrific book for a young child, the information is direct and to the point and easy to understand. I think children in the older recommended age range would be somewhat dissappointed, it is not really meant for in depth understanding. I agree with one of the editorial reviews that lauded the thematic organization over examining each piece as an isolated item-- it allows the child to understand the relation between each part of the solar system... overall, a very good introductory book.

This book talks about the planets and their temperatures and distances from the Sun. Very interesting with colorful pictures. Also has instructions in the back for a solar system mobile. Stage 2 Let's read and find out is a great series!

I have a 5 yr old that loves anything to do with space. I got older (adult) books from the library about the solar system and he learned tons of info. When we got this book he was excited but he didn't end up learning anything new. The book mostly talks about the relationship of the planets to the sun, their order, if they're hot or cold. They grouped the planets together stating which ones were hot or cold but didn't individually talk the planets other than saying you can see Mars early in the evening and Earth is the life planet.

Well well well, the dwarf planet Pluto exists in this book. No need to get upset that it still has PLuto

as a planet. So rejoice the book is now correct. That is if New Horizons uncovers something to make Pluto a planet again (which probably won't happen).

This is an excellent overview of our solar system. It has great engaging illustrations with enough little "gems" to find on every page (Shrodinger's Cat for instance). This book introduces young children to a more detailed look at our Solar System and with specific facts about each planet. As other reviewers have noted, the book is thematic. The illustrations included allow the parent/ teacher to point out "real world" uses of scientific knowledge (math, physics, etc.). There is one page that includes "footnotes" for the captions on the opposite page. This is useful in teaching younger children such concepts for later reading. As a home educator to my 4 year old son, I found the craft ideas especially beneficial in that it provides you with specific details on how to enhance the learning of these concepts with a couple of simple hands-on projects using materials easily found around your house. This material is easily adapted for older kids, although it may not include enough specific details for the older end of the age spectrum.

I am a homeschooling mother of two and constantly looking for educational material. I am also author of *What do you see? Our Solar System* - a beautifully illustrated children's picture book. At the time I purchased "The Planets in Our Solar System" my daughter was in grade 2 and I needed a book with good information, high quality illustrations and photos and also a book that she could enjoy by herself. I came to love the "Let's read and find out Science" books, they coincide well with the school curriculum and they are much more fun than prescribed school books. "The Planets in Our Solar System" is no exception, we read the book over and over, it never fails to impress and amaze. Needless to say it is not the only "Let's read and find out Science" book in our library.

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