



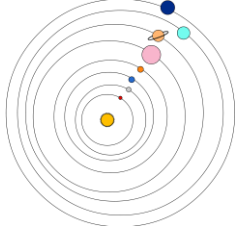

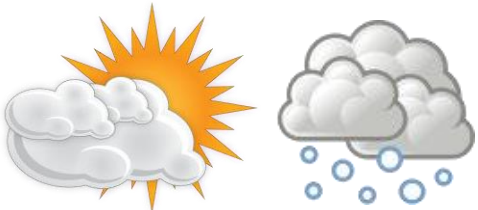


# Sunshine

<p>The sun is actually a star.</p> <p>It is the closest star to earth, which explains why it looks so big!</p>	
<p>Without the sun, there would be no heat or light on earth.</p> <p>This means there would be no life either.</p>	
<p>It takes 8 minutes for light to travel from the sun to the earth.</p>	
<p>The sun was born nearly five billion years ago from a cloud of gas and dust.</p>	
<p>The sun is the largest object in the solar system.</p> <p>In fact, it is so big that over one million Earths could fit inside it!</p>	
<p>The planets in our solar system include Mars, Venus, Earth, Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune.</p>	
<p>The sun is responsible for our weather because it heats the earth unevenly.</p> <p>Some places like the Equator receive lots of sunshine, while other places like the North Pole are very cold.</p>	
<p>We use sunscreen to protect ourselves from too much sun.</p> <p>Sunglass and hats also help to protect us.</p>	