Mr. Miller's Astronomy Class Project #04 = Solar System

Part 1 for a Planet = Report (50 Pts.)

- Name and Discovery of Planet (5 pts.)
 - What is the name and why was it named that specific name?
 - O When was the planet discovered and by who?
- Position in the Solar System (5 pts.)
 - What is the average distance from the Sun (in AU's)?
 - What is the closest distance to the sun (in AU's)?
 - What is the furthest distance to the sun (in AU's)?
- Moons and Rings (5 pts.)
 - o How many moons and rings does the planet have?
 - Give brief explanation of rings and any 'important' moons
- Rotation and Revolution (5 pts.)
 - o How long does it take to rotate around its axis (day)?
 - How long does it take to revolve around the sun (year)?
- Size (5 pts.)
 - What is the mass of the planet (in earth masses)?
 - How big is the planet (radius in kilometers)?
- Gravity (5 pts.)
 - What is the force of gravity on the surface of the planet?
 - What would a 150 lb. person on Earth weigh on the planet?
- Temperature (5 pts.)
 - What is the range of temperatures on the planet (in °C)?
- Structure and Atmosphere (10 pts.)
 - What is the internal structure of the planet and atmosphere look like? (5 pts. each)
 - List all layers and their general properties
- Other Interesting Information (5 pts.)
 - Every planet has at least 2-3 interesting things that are unique to the planet. Make sure to describe at least the major ones.

Part 2 for a Planet = Presentation (50 Pts.)

- Visual Aid (35 pts.)
 - o Name of Planet (5 pts.)
 - o Picture of Planet (10 pts.)
 - Must be majority of visual aid and must be in color
 - O At least 4 major pieces of information about planet (20 pts.)
 - Remember this is a visual aid designed to get a person just walking by the poster to want to learn more about your phenomenal planet
- Delivery (15 pts.)
 - o Knowledge of Content (10 pts.)
 - Obviously knows the information about planet
 - Only uses index card to stay on track, not to read word for word
 - Speaking Skill (5 pts.)
 - Able to speak clearly and look at audience while speaking

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Formatting for All Reports

- Cover Page
 - o Photo
 - Photo of astronomical body centered on the cover page and properly cited
 - o Title and author
 - Name of astronomical body on top of cover page
 - "by name of author" at bottom of cover page
- Citations
 - Use at least 4 credible sources
- Works Cited Page
 - o Proper citation format
 - o In order of use within document
- Proper Formatting
 - o Times New Roman or Calibri font
 - o 10 point font size
 - o Single spaced
 - o 1-inch margins
 - o 2-3 pages in length
- Spelling, Grammar, and Punctuation
 - Make sure to use correct

Any formatting issues will subtract points from total score

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Part 1 for a Non-Planet = Report (50 Pts.)

- Name of Object/Objects (5 pts.)
 - O What is/are the name/names of your object/objects?
- Position in the Solar System (5 pts.)
 - o Where do you find your object/objects in the solar system?
- Rotation and Revolution (5 pts.)
 - o Does/Do your object/objects have a typical rotation?
 - o Does/Do your object/objects have a typical revolution?
- Size (5 pts.)
 - O What is/are the mass/masses of your object/objects?
 - o What is/are the size/sizes of your object/objects?
- Formation (10 pts.)
 - O Describe in detail how your object/objects formed in the solar system.
- Structure (10 pts.)
 - o Describe in detail any structural information pertaining to your object/objects.
- Other Interesting Information (10 pts.)
 - o Describe in detail any interesting information pertaining to your object/objects.

Part 2 for a Planet = Presentation (50 Pts.)

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 - o Name of Object/Objects (5 pts.)
 - o Picture of Object/Objects (10 pts.)
 - Must be majority of visual aid and must be in color
 - o At least 4 major pieces of information about object/objects (20 pts.)
 - Remember this is a visual aid designed to get a person just walking by the poster to want to learn more about your outstanding object/objects
- Delivery (15 pts.)
 - o Knowledge of Content (10 pts.)
 - Obviously knows the information about object/objects
 - Only uses index card to stay on track, not to read word for word
 - o Speaking Skill (5 pts.)
 - Able to speak clearly and look at audience while speaking