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Week 1 - Space Exploration

Welcome to today's word list.

Word List

Voice: Female, Accent

- 1. Axis
- 2. Stratosphere
- 3. Constellation
- 4. Equinox
- 5. Light Year

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Welcome to today's short passage.

Short Passage Voice: Female

The very furthest galaxies are spreading away from us at more than 90% of the speed of light.

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Welcome to today's long passage.

Long Passage Voice: Male

The ice giant Neptune was the first planet located through mathematical predictions rather than through regular observations of the sky. Galileo had recorded it as a fixed star during observations with his small telescope in 1612 and 1613. When Uranus didn't travel exactly as astronomers expected it to, a French mathematician, Urbain Joseph Le Verrier, proposed the position and mass of yet another unknown planet that could cause the observed changes to Uranus' orbit. After being ignored by French astronomers, Le Verrier sent his predictions to Johann Gottfried Galle at the Berlin Observatory, who found Neptune on his first night of searching in 1846. Seventeen days later, its largest moon, Triton, was also discovered.

Nearly 2.8 billion miles from the Sun, Neptune orbits the Sun once every 165 years. It is invisible to the naked eye because of its extreme distance from Earth. Interestingly, the highly eccentric orbit of the dwarf planet Pluto brings Pluto inside Neptune's orbit for a 20-year period out of every 248 Earth years. Pluto can never crash into Neptune, though, because for every three laps Neptune takes around the Sun, Pluto makes two. This repeating pattern prevents close approaches of the two bodies.



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The magnetic field of Neptune is about 27 times more powerful than that of Earth. Neptune's atmosphere extends to great depths, gradually merging into water and other melted ices over a heavier, approximately Earth-size solid core. Neptune's blue color is the result of methane in the atmosphere. Despite its great distance and low energy input from the Sun, Neptune's winds can be three times stronger than Jupiter's and nine times stronger than Earth's.

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