

Which planet is known as the Earth's twin?

A. Venus

B. Mars

C. Mercury

D. Jupiter

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Correct Answer: A (Venus)

Explanation:

Venus is often referred to as the Earth's twin because of its similarity in size and mass. It also has a similar structure, density, and gravity, and an atmosphere with a similar composition.

Venus: Earth's Twin Planet

Have you ever wondered which planet is known as Earth's twin? Look no further than Venus, the second planet from the Sun.

Venus has long been considered Earth's closest planetary neighbor, with similar size, mass, and composition. Like Earth, Venus is a rocky planet, meaning it has a solid surface rather than being a gas giant like Jupiter or Saturn. Venus is just slightly smaller than Earth, with a diameter of about 12,100 kilometers (7,521 miles) compared to Earth's 12,742 kilometers (7,918 miles).

Another similarity between the two planets is their composition. Both Earth and Venus are made primarily of rock and metal, with a thin outer layer of gases that make up their atmospheres. However, the composition of Venus' atmosphere is very different from Earth's. While Earth's atmosphere is made up mostly of nitrogen and oxygen, Venus' atmosphere is mostly carbon dioxide with clouds of sulfuric acid.



Despite these similarities, Venus is a very different place than Earth. One of the most striking differences is its surface temperature. Venus has a thick atmosphere that traps heat, leading to extremely high temperatures that can reach up to 460 degrees Celsius (860 degrees Fahrenheit). This makes Venus the hottest planet in our solar system, even hotter than Mercury, which is closer to the Sun.

Venus' thick atmosphere also makes it a very hostile place for life as we know it. The atmospheric pressure on Venus is about 90 times greater than on Earth, which would crush any human or animal that tried to survive there. In addition, the high concentration of carbon dioxide and sulfuric acid in the atmosphere would make it impossible to breathe.

Despite these challenges, scientists are still interested in studying Venus to learn more about the early history of our solar system. Some researchers believe that Venus may have had a similar climate to Earth at one time, with liquid water on its surface. By studying the planet's geology and atmosphere, scientists hope to learn more about what caused Venus to become the inhospitable place it is today.

In conclusion, Venus is known as Earth's twin planet because of its similar size, mass, and composition. However, despite these similarities, Venus is a very different place than Earth with a thick, toxic atmosphere and extreme temperatures. While it may not be a hospitable place for life as we know it, Venus remains an important subject of study for scientists as they work to understand the early history of our solar system.

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