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Worlds of Gods and Goddesses - MERCURY

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MESSENGER

MESSENGER is an acronym for the first robotic NASA spacecraft to orbit Mercury and study the chemical composition, geology, and magnetic field.

MERCURY

THE INNER MOST PLANET

CLOSEST PLANET TO THE SUN

Mercury can reach an scorching 840 degrees and plummet to -275 degrees.

EXTREME TEMPERATURES

Mercury speeds around the Sun in an elliptical orbit every 88 Earth days, traveling through space at nearly 212,000 mph.

FASTEST ROTATION

Mercury has a similar surface to the Moon. It is covered with craters, ice, plains, highlands, mountains, rocks, and metal.

CRATERS AND ICE

TERRESTRIAL SURFACE

NO ATMOSPHERE

LOW GRAVITY

SMALLEST PLANET