

THE SOLAR SYSTEM

- The Collection of eight planets and their moons in orbit round the sun,
- together with smaller bodies in the form of asteroids, meteoroids and comets.

The Solar System is comprised →

- 8 planets
- Approx 170 natural planetary satellite
- Countless asteroids, meteoroids and comets

Asteroids:→ derived from Greek word meaning (ἀστερίς) 'starlike'. it is a small rocky object that orbit the sun

Meteoroids:→ As asteroids smash into each other the produce crumbly debris - meteoroids.

Comets:→ The word comets comes from latin word (κομήτης) 'cometa' which means long-haired. these are cosmic snowballs of frozen gases, rocks and dust that orbit the sun.

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