

The Adventures of Captain Planet Curriculum-Based Readers Theatre Script

Developed in a workshop with Dr. Rosalind Flynn by Teachers at
The Peace Center for the Performing Arts * Greenville, South Carolina

- | | | | |
|-----|---|-----|---|
| 1 | Beep! Beep! Beep! | 4 | Mercury is the planet closest to the sun. |
| 2 | This is a special report from NASA Space Center in Houston, Texas. | All | Mercury! |
| 3 | We have just received communication from Captain Planet and his crew. | All | My Very... |
| 4 | They have discovered that there are 9 planets in the solar system. | 1 | The "V" stands for Venus. |
| All | Solar system? [gesture] | 2 | Venus is the hottest planet. [gesture] [sound effect] |
| 1 | The solar system is made up of the... | All | Venus! |
| 2 | sun, [gesture] [sound effect] | All | My Very Eager... |
| 3 | the 9 planets, | 3 | The "E" stands for Earth. |
| 1 | [soft voice] Ahem, ahem, 8 planets... | 4 | Earth is the only planet that has living things, |
| 4 | their moons, | 1 | and can support life |
| 1 | and other objects that orbit the sun. | 2 | like plants |
| All | How can you remember all 9 planets? [gesture] [sound effect] | 3 | animals [sound effect] |
| 1 | [soft voice] Ahem, ahem, 8 planets... | 4 | and people, like us! |
| 2 | My Very Eager Mother Just Served Us Nine Pizzas! | All | Earth! |
| All | That's a silly sentence! | All | My Very Eager Mother... |
| 2 | That silly sentence will help you remember all 9 planets! | 1 | The "M" Stands for Mars. |
| 1 | [soft voice] Ahem, ahem, 8 planets... | 2 | Mars is the red planet |
| All | My.. | 3 | because the soil and rocks are red. |
| 3 | My--the "M" stands for Mercury. | All | Mars! |
| | | All | My Very Eager Mother Just... |
| | | 4 | The "J" stands for Jupiter. |
| | | 1 | Jupiter is the largest planet. |
| | | All | Jupiter! |
| | | All | My Very Eager Mother Just Served... |
| | | 2 | The "S" stands for Saturn. |
| | | 3 | Saturn has rings. |
| | | 4 | Rings? For fingers, toes, or nose? [gesture] |
| | | 3 | No! The ring goes around the planet's center |
| | | 1 | and is made of ice, |

2 rocks,
 3 and dust [sound effect--
 cough] [gesture]
 All Saturn!
 All My Very Eager Mother Just
 Served Us...
 4 The “U” stands for Uranus.
 1 Uranus is the only planet
 2 that spins on its side. [gesture]
 All My Very Eager Mother Just
 Served Us Nine...
 3 The “N” stands for Neptune.
 4 Neptune has eight moons.
 All Eight Moons?!?
 4 And it’s the eighth planet from
 the sun!
 All Uranus!
 All My Very Eager Mother Just
 Served Us Nine Pizzas!
 1 Pizza! Yum! Yum!
 2 The “P” stands for Pluto.
 3 Pluto is the smallest planet of
 all!
 3 And it is the coldest. [sound
 effect]
 All Pluto!
 All My Very Eager Mother Just
 Served Us Nine Pizzas!
 4 This sentence is so silly!
 1 But it helps you remember...
 All All 9 planets in order!
 1 [soft voice] Ahem, ahem, 8
 planets...
 2 Beep! Beep! Beep!
 3 This just in...
 4 Houston, we have a problem!
 [gesture] [sound effect]
 Scientists have deemed that
 Pluto is no longer a planet...

All Oh no! What about our silly
 sentence?
 1 Houston—we need a new
 sentence!
 2 How about...
 All My Very Eager Mother Just
 Served Us NACHOS....!
 [gesture]
 4 Stay tuned for further
 developments!
 All [sound effect—Static]