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JUPITER: THE BIGGEST PLANET

A short reader for younger learners (Ages 6–8)

Jupiter is the biggest planet of all! You could fit more than 1,000 Earths inside Jupiter.

Jupiter is made of gas. It is not a hard rocky place like Earth. There is no ground to walk on.

Jupiter has stripes! The stripes are giant bands of clouds. Some are light and some are dark.

Jupiter also has a big red spot. It is a giant storm — bigger than the whole Earth! The storm has been spinning for hundreds of years.

Jupiter has many, many moons. The four biggest are called Io, Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto. They were spotted by Galileo over 400 years ago.

★ WORDS TO KNOW 3 TERMS

gas

Something like air — not solid like a rock.

storm

Very strong winds and clouds.

giant

Very, very big.

★ COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS 4 QUESTIONS

1. How many Earths could fit inside Jupiter?

2. Why can't you walk on Jupiter?

3. What is the Great Red Spot, and how big is it?

4. What are the names of Jupiter's four biggest moons?

★ NOW YOU DRAW IT! Draw Jupiter below. Can you show its stripes, the Great Red Spot, and its biggest moons?