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1) a) Scientist believe that Mercury has no atmosphere.

b) Mercury being the closest planet to the sun may not contain an atmosphere because of this reason. The sun's heat would destroy ~~and~~ gases that existed.

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2) a) Venus and Mars seems to be two planets that share some similarities with Earth. If you compare size Venus and Earth are approximately the same size. If you look at Mars its rotational period is 24 hr 39 min and Earth's is 24 hrs. All three planets have nitrogen in it atmosphere.

b) The planets that are the least similar to Earth are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune. Each of these four planets are extremely large compared to earth, their orbital periods take years and their temperatures are extremely cold.

c) Pluto is no longer considered a planet and is now known as a dwarf planet

4) The atmosphere on the four larger planets would not support life because living organism need oxygen and nitrogen to survive.

Attachments

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