

1. WORDS TO HELP YOU

Read the text together with a classmate. Use the 'Words to help you'. Underline these words in the text. Did you see more difficult words? Underline them too.

the astronomer = de sterrenkundige

excited = opgewonden

the solar system = het zonnestelstel

the scientist = de wetenschapper

the dwarf star = de dwergster (een kleine ster)

the dip = de terugval, de onderbreking

the amount = de hoeveelheid

in front of = vóór

to circle = cirkelen, ronddraaien

pink = roze

the alien life = het buitenaardse leven

2. ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

What is the text about? Work with a classmate and answer the questions. Write some key words down, to remember your answers.



Each question goes with a text part.

1. What is the **news**?
2. What was seen with the **telescopes**?
3. Which are the **facts** about Trappist-1 and the seven planets?
4. What are the **hopes** of scientists?



3. COMPLETE THE SUMMARY

Every text you read, has a lot of information in it. Not all of this information is important. That is why people make a **summary**. In a summary you will find the **most important information** from the text. Complete the summary of the text *New Planets* below. Use words from the text!

New Planets

Astronomers are excited, because _____
has been found. The planets circle around _____
_____.

Astronomers found the dwarf star Trappist-1 with _____
_____. When they looked at it with stronger and bigger telescopes,
they saw _____.

Some facts are: Trappist-1 is _____ away from
us. It is _____ than our sun and its colour is _____.

The planets circle _____
than we circle around the sun.

There could be _____ on the planets,
maybe even alien life!

4. I'M GOING TO THE NEW PLANETS AND I'M TAKING...

In this exercise you are going to play a game. Work in small groups of about four pupils. Pupil 1 starts and says: *'I'm going to the new planets and I'm taking...'* and says something he wants to take to these planets. Go on like this and take turns. Always start with the beginning sentence and repeat the other items that were said.

The person who remembers the most items, wins!

