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A Big and Mighty Planet

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Have you ever played in the dirt? Maybe it was warm and sandy and you let it sift through your fingers.

Maybe it was cool and muddy and you shaped it like clay.

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Either way, you did something pretty amazing. You held one small part of a big and mighty **planet** in your hands. You held part of our planet, Earth.

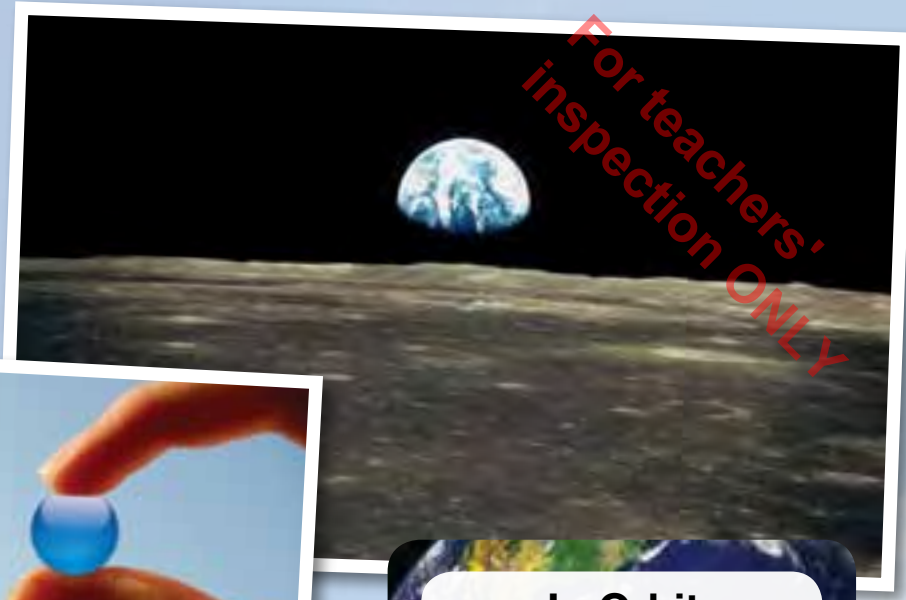
The Big, Blue Marble



From Sun to Earth

How far is Earth from the sun? 92,897,000 miles!

Earth is part of our **solar system**. That means it is one of eight planets that **orbit** our sun. Earth is the third planet from the sun.



In Orbit

To orbit means to move in the path of a circle or oval around an object. Earth moves about 45,000 miles per hour!

Something orbits Earth, too. It is our moon.

People say that from the moon, Earth looks like a big, blue marble.