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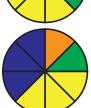
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Play-Doh Planets

- 1 Mix together all your tubs of Play-Doh.
- Divide the whole ball of Play-Doh into 8 equal parts.
 Hint: You may find it easier to roll the ball into a sausage shape then divide that up
 Roll 5 parts together to create the planet Jupiter
 Roll 1 part to create the planet Saturn



- Combine the remaining 2 parts and then cut into 8 equal parts
 Take 2 parts and add to Jupiter
 Take 2 parts and add to Saturn
 Take 1 part to create Neptune and 1 part to create Uranus
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- Combine the remaining 2 parts and then cut into 8 equal parts
 Take 3 parts and add to Jupiter
 Take 3 parts and add to Saturn

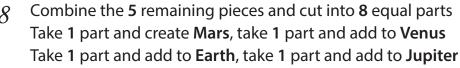


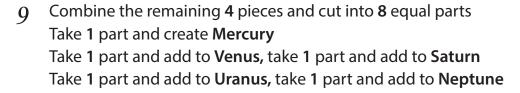
Combine the 2 remaining pieces and then cut into 8 equal parts
 Take 1 part to create the Earth
 Take 1 part and add to Saturn
 Take 3 parts add to Neptune

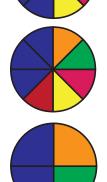


- Combine the remaining 3 pieces and cut into 8 equal parts
 Take 2 parts to create Venus
 Take 1 part and add to Neptune
 Take 1 part and add to Uranus
- Take 1 part and add to **Jupiter**, take 1 part and add to **Uranus**Take 1 part and add to **Neptune**Combine the 5 remaining pieces and cut into 8 equal parts

Combine the remaining 4 pieces and cut into 8 equal parts







Combine the existing 3 pieces and cut into 4 equal parts
 Take 1 part and add to Earth
 Take 1 part and add to Uranus
 Take 2 parts and add to Jupiter

Each ball now represents the relative size (volume) of each planet