

# Facts About Earth



## Basic Information About Earth

1. Earth is the 3<sup>rd</sup> planet from the Sun (93 million miles from the Sun).
2. The planet is 7926 miles in diameter.
3. A “day” on Earth is approximately 24 hours long (23 hours, 56 minutes, and 4.1 seconds).
4. Earth takes one year (365  $\frac{1}{4}$  days) to complete one orbit of the Sun.
5. Earth has a unique atmosphere containing oxygen and water vapor; the only planet that currently harbors life in the solar system.
6. Earth is one of the most geologically active bodies in the solar system with active volcanoes, earthquakes, and tectonic movements of the crust.