

## 2. Read the sentences and write T (true) or F (false).

- ..... a) Pluto follows the first two rules: It is round, and it orbits the sun.
- ..... b) None of the planets have essentially cleared out the other objects in their orbits.
- ..... c) From 1930 until 2006, Pluto was considered as the ninth planet in our solar system.
- ..... d) There are four dwarf planets in our Solar System, including Pluto.
- ..... e) Pluto was first named after the Greek goddess of strife and discord.
- ..... f) Astronomers had to reconsider their definition of a planet after the discovery of Eris.
- ..... g) There used to be nine planets. Now there are eight.
- ..... h) There won't be any other dwarf planets other than Pluto, Makemake, Ceres, Haumea and Eris.
- ..... i) Eris is both larger and more distant in the Solar System than Pluto is.
- ..... j) The number of planets in the Solar System is now 10 after the discovery of Eris.

## 3. Answer the questions below.

- a) How many dwarf planets have been discovered in our Solar System so far?

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- b) Why was Eris given the nickname 'Xena'?

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- c) Why did the International Astronomical Union meet in Prague in 2006?

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- d) Which criterion makes an object a dwarf planet?

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- e) Why would the number of planets need to be expanded to 10?

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