

# "Sir Aftab"

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Q1-

Differentiate between a star and a planet. What is the magnitude of a star and how the color of stars is correlated with their temperatures. (5)

**Introduction:-**

The solar system consists of star, planets, dwarf planets, satellites and solar bodies. The age of the solar system is 4.6 billion. Our solar system is located in Orion-cygnus.

Solar System

→ small solar bodies  
(asteroids, comets)

(Star) Sun

Planets dwarf planets satellites

**Difference between Star and Planet:-**

i- Star:

It is an astronomical object that emits their own light produced by thermonuclear reaction and it revolves around the centre of galaxy.

Planet:

It is an astronomical object that revolves around the star.

ii- Light:

Star has its own light but planets do not have their own light.

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**Position:-**

Stars can change their position but due to their substantial distance it takes a long time, whereas, the planets change their position.

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**Size:-**

Stars have larger size unlike stars, planets are smaller.

in size.

### Temperatures:

Stars have high temperatures whereas planets

### Twinkle effect:

Stars twinkle but this phenomenon is absent in planets

### Shape:

through earth perspective

Stars are dot shaped while planets are spherical in shape.

### Matter:-

The elements which are present in the stars are hydrogen, helium & other elements whereas solid, liquid, gases or other combination of these are.

There is only one star in solar system, whereas there are eight planets in solar system.

### b- Magnitude:-

"It is the measure of brightness of stars and other celestial body."

### Colour of a Star:-

The magnitude of a star is measured in a certain wavelength or color using filter.

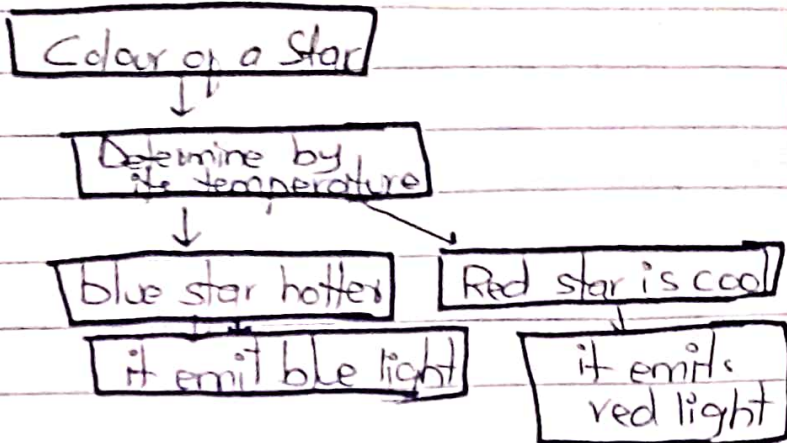
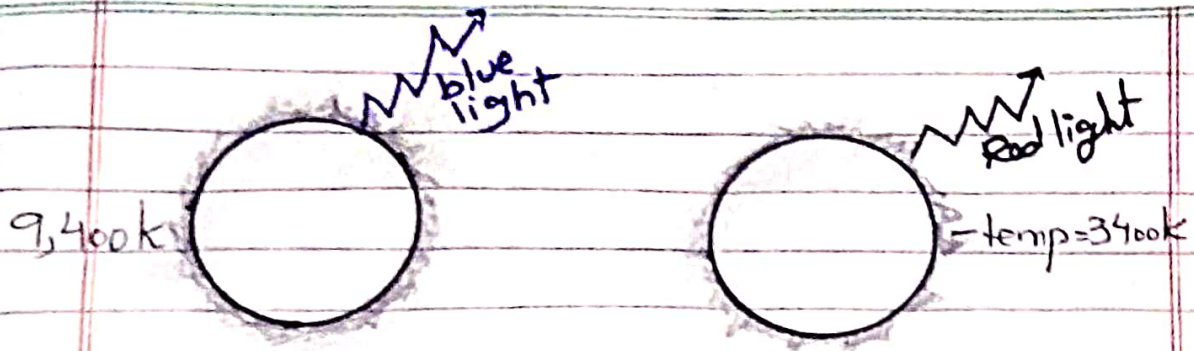
The surface <sup>temperature</sup> of a star determines the color it emits.

A hot blue star <sup>temperature</sup> Sirius, the surface temperature is about 9,500 K.

Blue stars are hotter than yellow, yellow stars are hotter than red stars. In case of a blue star, Sirius the surface temperature is 9,500 K so it emits blue light, it looks brighter in blue filter than red filter. While in case of Red star, Betelgeuse the surface temperature is about 3,400 K so it emits more red light and it looks brighter in red filter.







### Conclusion:-

There are many differences between stars and planets. Stars revolve around centre of galaxies where as planets revolve around the stars in a fixed orbit. The stars come with many shapes, colours and size. So the colour of a star is determined by its temperature. The more the temperature, blue colour appears where as lesser or low temperature, causing red colour.