

What are galaxies?

Lesson Review

Complete the table by placing a check mark in the correct column.

TYPES OF GALAXIES			
Characteristic	Elliptical galaxy	Irregular galaxy	Spiral galaxy
1. Rounded			
2. No definite shape			
3. Thick center and flattened arms			
4. Made up of billions of stars			
5. Least common type of galaxy			
6. Contains the oldest stars			
7. One typed is barred			
8. Smaller and fainter than other types of galaxies			
9. Main features of the universe			
10. Has a nucleus made up of bright stars			
11. Milky Way is one			

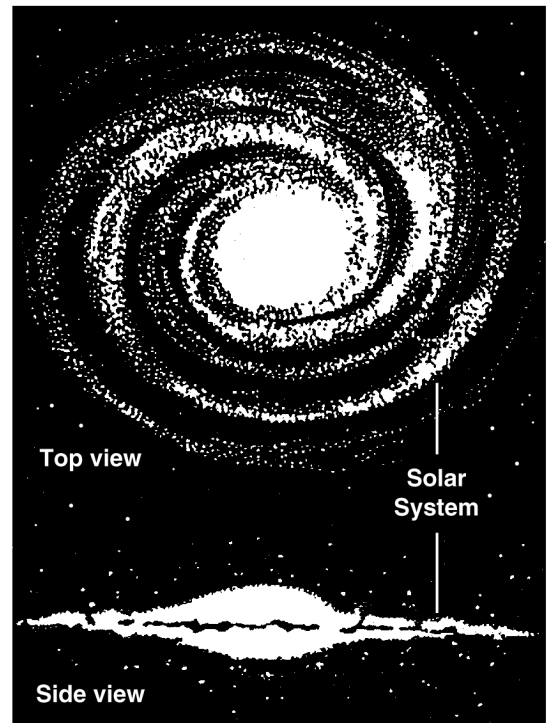
Skill Challenge

Skills: *identifying, applying concepts*

Identify the galaxy shown in the diagram. Then, write three facts about this galaxy in the spaces provided.

Galaxy name: _____

Facts: _____



Answer Key

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1. Elliptical galaxy
2. Irregular galaxy
3. Spiral galaxy
4. Elliptical galaxy, Irregular galaxy, Spiral galaxy
5. Irregular galaxy
6. Elliptical galaxy
7. Spiral galaxy
8. Irregular galaxy
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10. Spiral galaxy
11. Spiral galaxy

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Galaxy name: Milky Way Galaxy

Facts: spiral galaxy; contains more than 100,000 billion stars; is about 100,000 light years in diameter