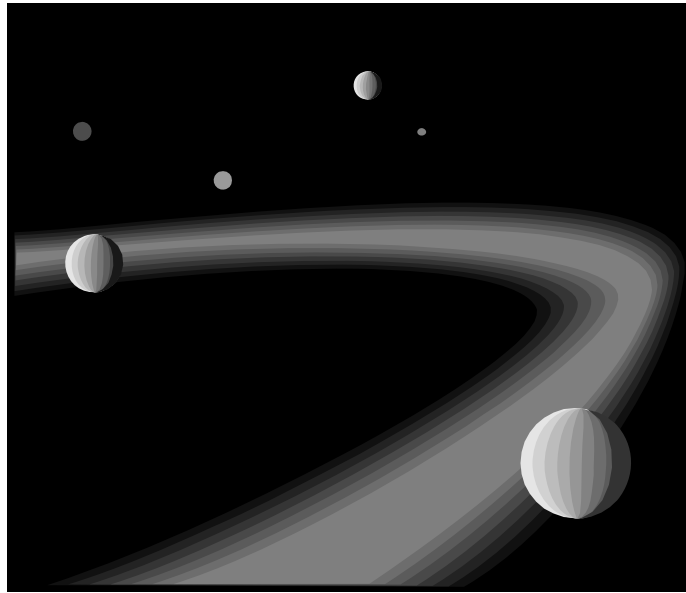


Comets and Asteroids



Discuss the physical and orbital characteristics of comets, and compare/contrast them with those of asteroids. Discuss meteors and meteor showers, and explain how they are related to the comets. Discuss how comets change within a given orbit and over long periods of time. Discuss the origin of short and long-period comets, and the nature and probable origin of the Kuiper Disk and Oort Cloud.

The report will be **500 words long** (not including the title, your name and any pictures) double-spaced with a 12 pt times New Roman font. You will need to use standard margins.

You will need to list your sources of information which must include at a minimum one non-internet source (i.e. books or magazines **not** including your textbook).

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