

Mars in a Minute: Is Mars Really Red?

Name _____ Date _____

Directions: Write your responses on this sheet or on separate paper.

1. Why did the ancient Egyptians call Mars "the red one"?



2. Which mineral is common in rocks found on Mars?

3. What determines the color of rocks and soil on both Mars and Earth?

4. What does the color of Mars have to do with a rusty bicycle on Earth?

5. Why do you think Earth looks mostly blue and green instead of red when viewed from outer space?