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Pluto: The Dwarf Planet That Sparked Curiosity

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Who discovered Pluto, and when was its discovery made?
 - a) Galileo Galilei in 1610
 - b) Isaac Newton in 1687
 - c) Clyde Tombaugh in 1930
 - d) Johannes Kepler in 1609

2. What is the primary composition of Pluto's surface?
 - a) Rock and water ice
 - b) Lava and sulfur
 - c) Methane and ammonia
 - d) Gold and silver

3. How many known moons does Pluto have?
 - a) None
 - b) One
 - c) Five
 - d) Ten

4. Why was Pluto reclassified as a "dwarf planet" in 2006?
 - a) Because it has a thin atmosphere
 - b) Because it is composed primarily of methane
 - c) Because it shares its orbital neighborhood with other objects
 - d) Because it is the smallest planet in the solar system

5. What was the significance of the New Horizons mission to Pluto in 2015?
 - a) It landed on Pluto's surface.
 - b) It discovered new moons around Pluto.
 - c) It conducted a flyby, providing valuable data and images.
 - d) It found evidence of life on Pluto.

