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### Chapter 9 Questions

1. Why is Pluto no longer considered a planet like Earth and Jupiter but is instead considered a dwarf planet?
2. What other dwarf planets are there?
3. What are asteroids?
4. What are comets?
5. What are meteoroids, meteors and meteorites?
6. What does the composition of meteorites tell us about their formation?
7. What produces meteor showers?
8. What is believed to have caused mass extinctions on Earth? When and how often have these occurred?