



Objective

The student will identify similarities and differences between the meanings of words.

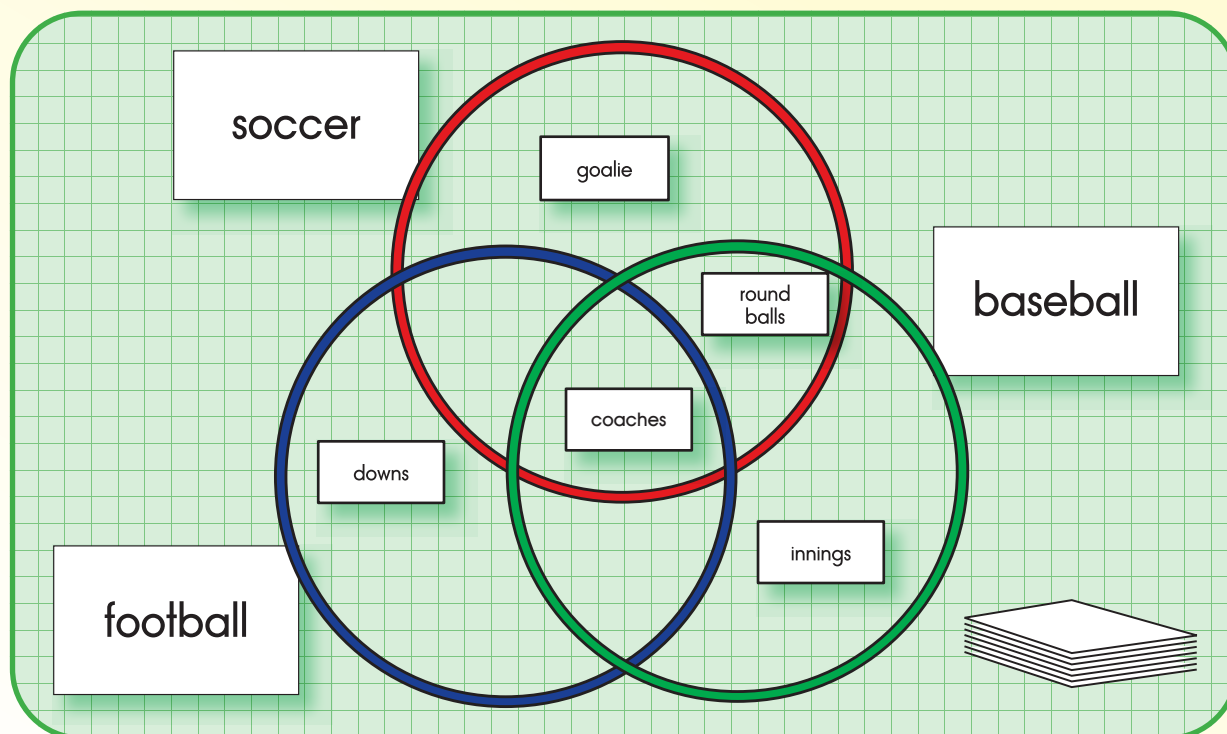
Materials

- ▶ Venn diagram pattern
Copy three times, color each circle with a different color, and cut. Assemble circles to make a 3-way Venn diagram. Mount on poster board and laminate. Optional: Copy on three different colored pieces of paper to make circles stand out. Use string or other material (e.g., hoola hoops) to form 3-way Venn diagrams.
- ▶ Header and attribute cards

Activity

Students compare words using a 3-way Venn diagram.

1. Place the 3-way Venn diagram on a flat surface. Place one header card near each circle. Place the attribute cards face down in a stack.
2. Taking turns, students select the top card and read it.
3. Determine if attribute or related vocabulary applies to one or more of the headers. Place in the corresponding section of the diagram.
4. Continue until all cards are placed.
5. Peer evaluation



Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Record attributes and related vocabulary on student sheet.
- ▶ Compare other target words and write attributes.
- ▶ Compare only two words using a Venn diagram.

Vocabulary

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Cut out inside of circle to make a ring.



Venn diagram circle

football	baseball	soccer
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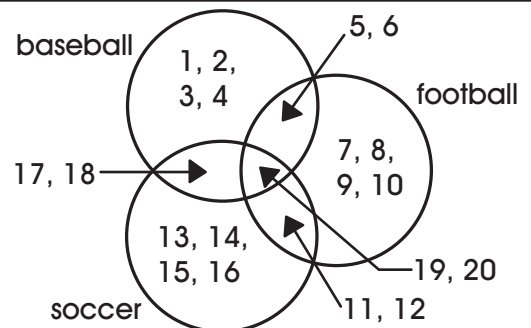


diamond	innings	bases	umpire
helmets	laces on ball	pigskin	downs
quarters	egg-shaped	kick the ball	goal posts
shorts	pentagons on ball	goalie	net
round balls	international teams	opponents	coaches



Answer Key

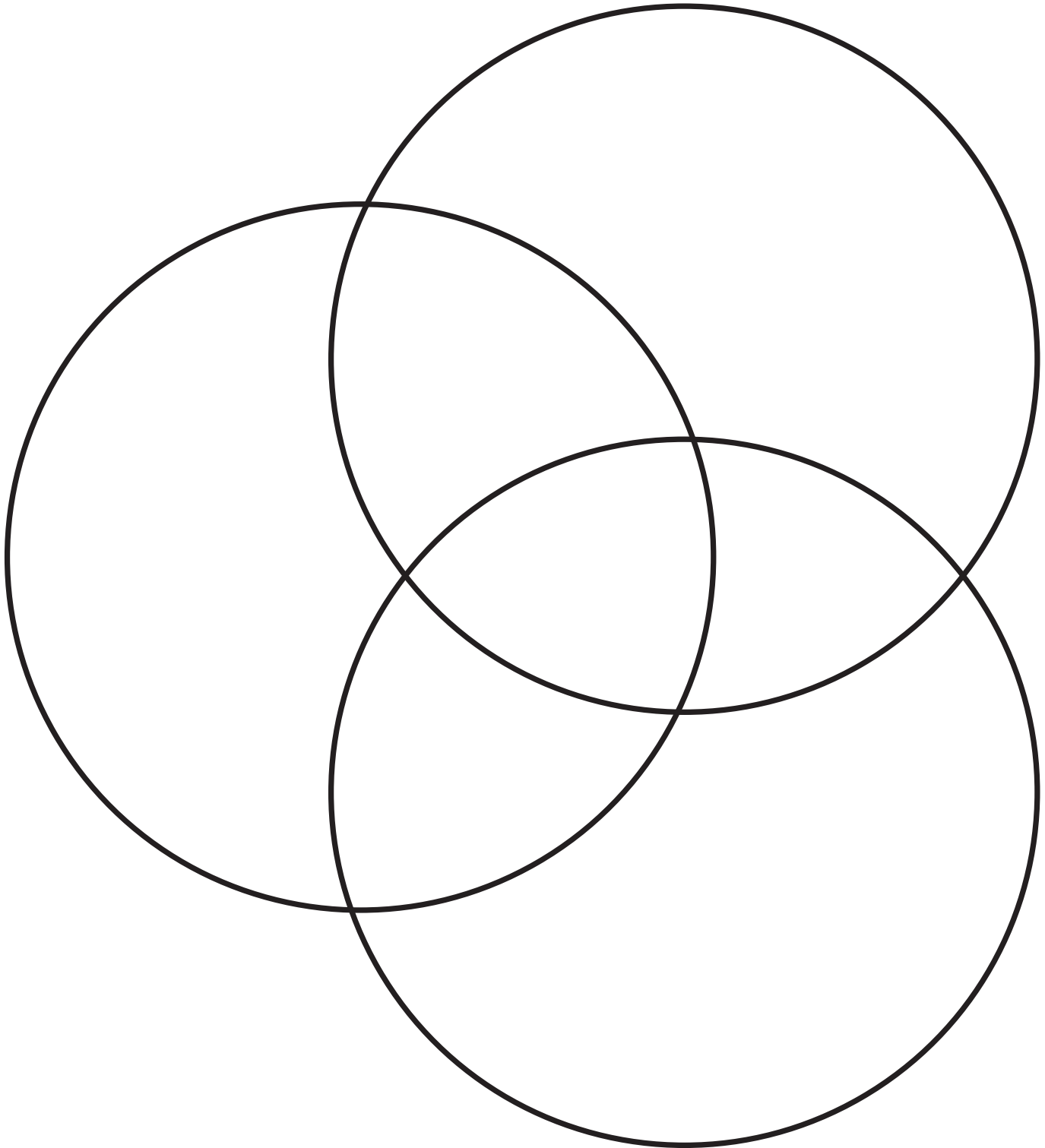
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| 1. diamond | 11. kick the ball |
| 2. innings | 12. goal posts |
| 3. bases | 13. shorts |
| 4. umpire | 14. pentagons on ball |
| 5. helmets | 15. goalie |
| 6. laces on ball | 16. net |
| 7. pigskin | 17. round balls |
| 8. downs | 18. international teams |
| 9. quarters | 19. opponents |
| 10. egg-shaped | 20. coaches |



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blank header and attribute cards

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