

INTERVENTIONS FOR VOCABULARY
Word Analysis: Same and Different Venn Diagram

Purpose:

Students will identify similarities and differences between meanings of words.

Description:

Students compare and contrast words using a Venn Diagram.

Materials:

1. Information books about a content topic
2. Vocabulary word cards (Activity Master V.021.AM1) *Choose a target word pair or use vocabulary from a content topic.*
3. Student sheet (Activity Master V.021.SS)
4. Pencil

Procedure/Steps:

1. Provide student with vocabulary word cards (Activity Master V.021.AM1), books, and a student sheet (Activity Master V.021.SS).
2. The student reads the words and writes them in each of the boxes on the student sheet.
3. Writes attributes that are shared by both words in the overlapping area of the circles on the Venn Diagram. Writes attributes which are unique to just one of the topics in the corresponding circle. Uses books if necessary.
4. Continue until there are at least three attributes in each of the three sections of the Venn Diagram.
5. Teacher evaluation.

Note: Use other target word cards to compare and contrast, for example: attributes of classroom objects.

Evaluation of Effectiveness:

Compare vocabulary data before and after the intervention.

Source: <http://www.fcrr.org> Pages: V.021.AM1 and V.021.SS