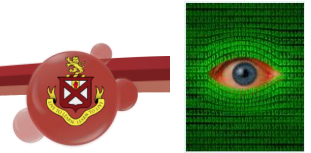




'How To' Guide – Venn Diagrams



A Venn diagram – named after John Venn (1834 – 1923).

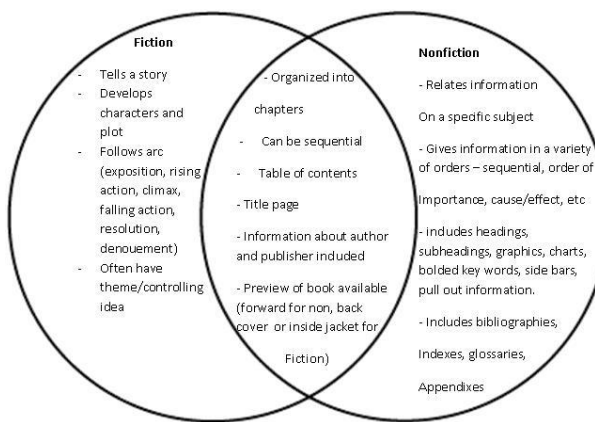
Venn diagrams are a visual way of categorising information using overlapping circles.

Data is put into the overlapping sections of the circles when a piece of information falls into more than one category.

Example

Categorise the characteristics of fiction and non-fiction using a Venn diagram.

Answer



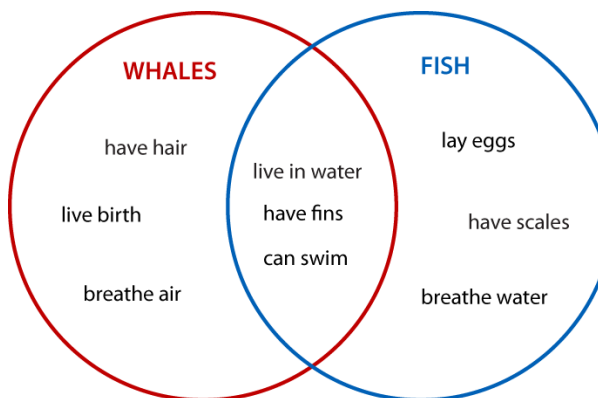
How we teach it

- Draw 2-3 overlapping circles depending on how many categories the information is being split into. Make sure that each of the sections (particularly the overlaps) are large enough to write in.
- It may be better to have the Venn diagrams printed for neatness.
- Label each circle with the category it represents.
- Start to enter your information into the circles.
- If it falls into one category only, it should not be in an overlapping section.
- If it falls into more than one category, enter the information into the section where those circles overlap.
- If it falls into none of the categories, write your information in the space outside of the circles.

Example

Show the similarities and differences between whales and fish using a Venn diagram.

Answer



Example

Use a Venn diagram to categorise the works of some authors as funny, exciting, boring, sad, or a combination of these.

Answer

