

*The
Speak Logic Project*

We Promote Better Communication

*Prerequisite Exercise
For
Fundamental of Communication*

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In addition to
Understanding the Principle of Communication
This is what needed in order to get started with
Fundamental of Communication

Word Classification and Identification

1. *Yesterday I drove to the grocery store; today I walked there just to get a gallon of milk.*

We can walk to the grocery store; we can also drive to the grocery store. In terms of function, there is a similarity between **walk** and **drive**; since both of them accomplish the same purpose; now it would have been nice if we can find a word to classified both walk and drive

For instance we can classified both walk and drive by a key word, then we can use another word with that key word to show the difference. Since both of them in many instance are similar and different

If we choose to ride our bike to the grocery store, we also see a similarity in terms of functions between bike ride and walk. The table below can be used to input the keyword similarity and the differences.

Words	Similarity	Difference
Walk		
Drive		

2. *I went to the fast-food restaurant yesterday. I got a small French fries; although I could have used a fork to eat it, but I used my fingers which are faster.*

We go to a fast food restaurant, we get a French fries, to eat that fries, we can use our fingers to eat it, we can also use a fork to eat it, in terms of functions, we can see a similarity between the words **fork** and **finger**, now, it would have been nice to find a word to classify them or to show their similarity, try to find a word to do that

We can also use our hand to open a jar; we can also use a jar opener to do the same thing, so there is a similarity between our hand and the jar opener;

Words	Similarity	Difference
Finger		
Fork		

Some Helps for Number 2

I went to see a nurse, she uses her hand to monitor my pulse, I can also use a watch to monitor my pulse, hence there is a similarity between her hand and the watch in terms of functions, and she can also use something else to monitor my pulse

Starting couple of miles away, I am looking at the mountain with my eyes. Since the mountain is so far from me, I am not able to see it clearly. By using a binocular, I can see the mountain much clear. Clearly, we can see there is a similarity between my

eyes and the binocular in terms of function. The word above can be used for both of them to show the similarity.

3. *In a car manufacture plant, a robot is used to paint a car. In my local body shop, a mechanic paints a car manually.*

In a car manufacture plant, a robot is used to paint a car, in my local body shop, a mechanic is used to pain a car, now we see there is a similarity between a robot and a mechanic in terms of functions, now use a word to show the similarity

A computer can be use to perform a task, as well as a person can be used to do the same task, use a word to describe the similarity

Words	Similarity	Difference
Robot		
Mechanic		

4. *Since a robot can paint a car and a mechanic can also paint a car, what is the difference between the two in terms of how they paint or be able to paint?*

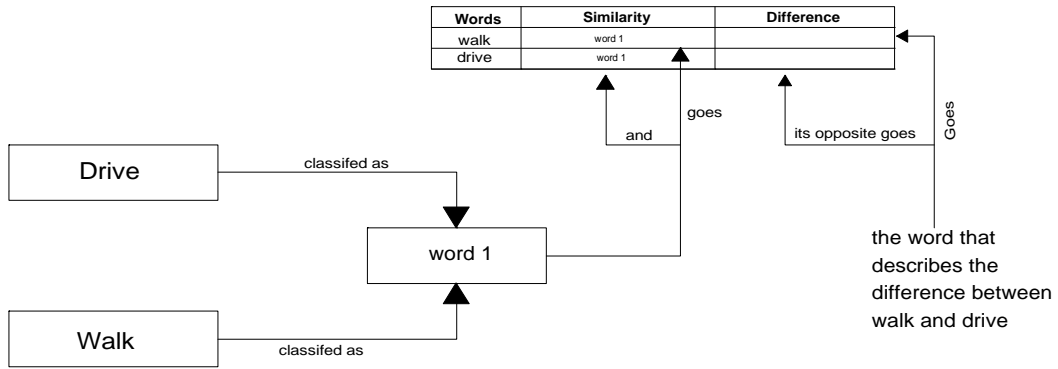
In order to get this one, we have to do some analysis. You may need to look at the difference between the robot and the mechanic in term of learning how to paint cars. Once you find that word, you put it into the left of the table below. You may need to ask questions like how the mechanic knows how to paint a car, answer; the mechanic has learned how to paint a car; question again, how does the mechanic learn how to paint a card? Answering this question will help you to find that word.

Word	Synonym

5. *Find a synonym of the word you found in the step above and put it to the right of the table above.*

Notes

The diagram below can help you construct the table for number 1, 2, and three.



At the end of the exercise, you will get 5 words, as shown on the diagram blow. You can use the diagram to the right to put the words you have found.

Words

- ____ Word 1
- ____ Word 2
- ____ Word 3
- ____ Word 4
- ____ Word 5

Words

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