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

Materials
- Venn diagram pattern (Activity Master V.031.AM1)
  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., hula hoops) to form 3-way Venn diagrams.
- Header and attribute cards (Activity Master V.031.AM2)

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 (Activity Master V.031.SS1).
- Compare other target words and write attributes (Activity Master V.031.AM3).
- Compare only two words using a Venn diagram (Activity Master V.031.SS2).
Cut out inside of circle to make a ring.
## Vocabulary

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### Answer Key

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

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blank header and attribute cards