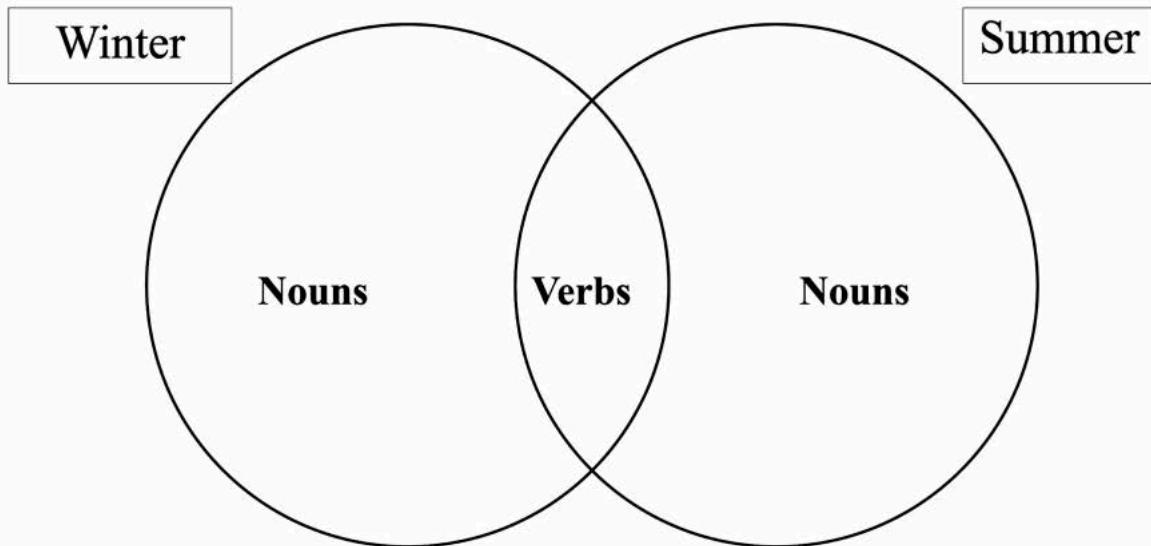
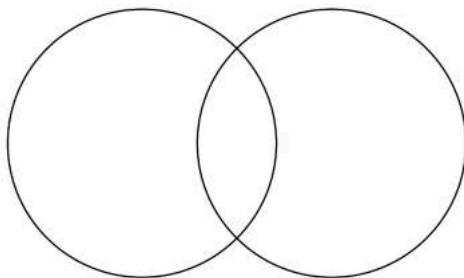


Preparing an essay on holidays

verbs are common to both holidays—nouns are different for each



Double Venn Diagram



The double Venn is a simple and highly effective model for examining the similarities and differences between two items. Students work in small groups to compare and contrast. One student records the agreed information in the organiser on behalf of the group.

Students of all abilities and learning styles can work together and contribute according to their interest, learning style and ability. No student is held back and the class does not move too fast for any student.

Students are actively involved in the learning. They learn to agree, disagree, listen, explain and help each other. They orally process the learning. These soft skills need to be encouraged and actively taught in the classroom.

Suggestions from teachers

English

- Two poems
- Relationships in texts
- Essay planning
- Tabloids/Broadsheets
- Capulets/Montagues

Gaeilge

- Comparáid idir dhánta/scéalta/charachtair
- Comparáid idir téamaí e.g. An saol mar atá is mar a bhí
- *Faoiseamh a Gheobhadh*
Comparáid idir saol na tuaithe agus saol na cathrach
- Accusative/Dative case

Religion/Mathematics

- Two religions e.g. Judaism and Christianity
- Decimals (percentages)
- Fractions

Home Economics

- Comparing ovens
- Mould reproduction
- Accommodation
- Nuclear/extended family
- Commercial/Homemade food

Music/Art

- Baroque music vs. art
- (Hallelujah vs. St George and the Dragon)
- Set vs. Choice songs
- Musical eras
- Romanesque/Gothic

Technical Subjects

- Metals and alloys
- Ferrous/Non-ferrous metals
- Hard/Soft woods

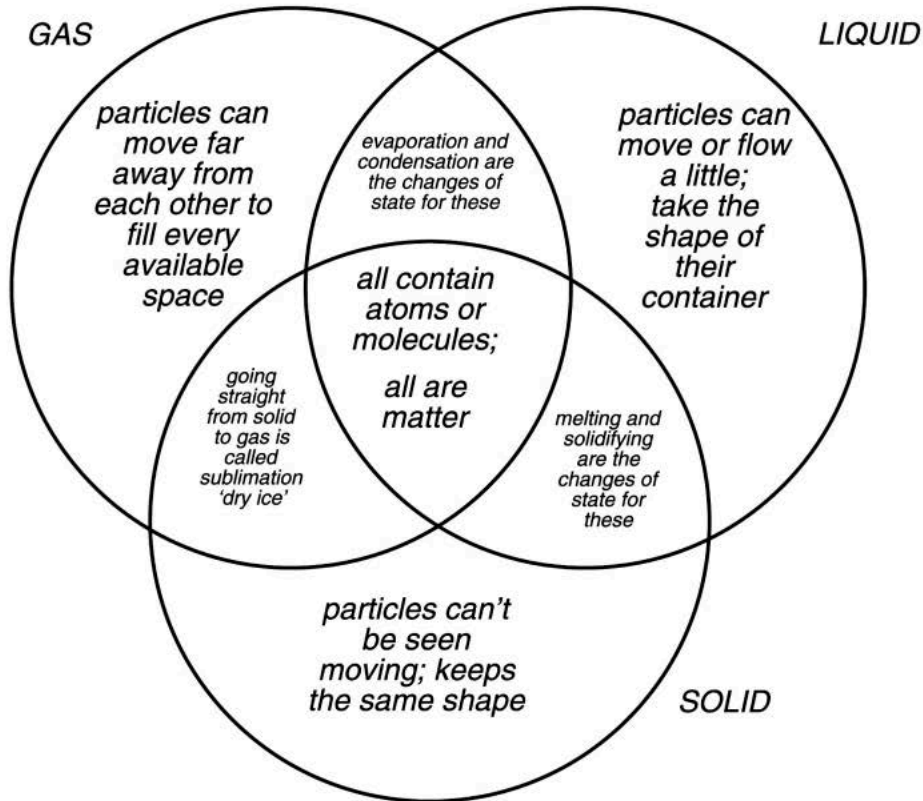
History/Geography

- Luther and Calvin
- Munster and Leinster Plantations
- Italian renaissance artists
- War of Independence/Civil War
- Mesolithic/Neolithic ages
- Photograph/OS Map

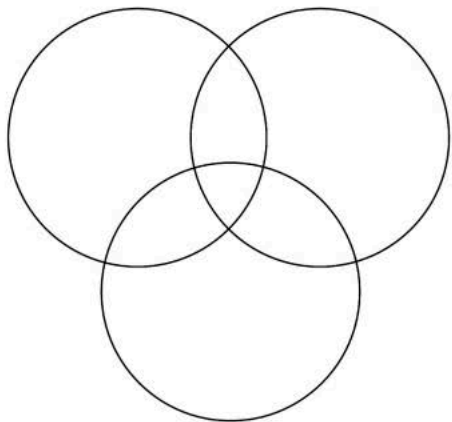
Science

- RNA v DNA
- O₂ v CO₂
- Photosynthesis v respiration
- Plant cell v animal cell
- Male v female endocrine system
- Mitosis v meiosis
- Endocrine v nervous control
- Circulatory/Lymphatic system

Solids, Liquids, Gases



Triple Venn Diagram



This is a very powerful tool for answering higher level questions that require three items (books, texts, characters, regions, phenomena) to be compared and contrasted.

Exam questions prepared in class as a group can be attempted alone for homework.

The purpose of the team is to build stronger individuals — “What we can do together today we can do alone tomorrow”.

Formative assessment is facilitated as students can clearly see how much they know about a topic by the time they have finished the work. It may be used to develop the ability - ‘attack skills’ - to tackle questions that students find challenging.

Suggestions from teachers

English

- The comparative question (comparing three texts) for higher level Leaving Certificate
- Main concerns of a body of a poet’s work (Higher Level)

Religion/Maths

- Main religions
- Forms of Christianity
- Volume of cone, cylinder, sphere

Home Economics

- Food types
- Effects of alcohol abuse
- Compare dairy, meat and vegetable
- Compare protein, fats, carbohydrates
- Special diets
- Effects of unemployment on family, society, individual

Technical Subjects

- Technical drawing - types of projections / views
- Joining different materials
- Types of energy
- Wood, plastic, metal

History

- Three leaders e.g. Hitler, Stalin & Mussolini

Art/Music

- Colour Mixing
- Comparing songs in general study

Science

- Organs of excretion
- 1st year science pre-learning
- Compare protons, electrons, neutrons
- Conduction, convection and radiation
- Water in physics, chemistry, biology

Gaeilge/Modern Language

- Comparáid idir scéalta/danta/ carachtair.
- Past, present, future tense