

Concept Definition Map

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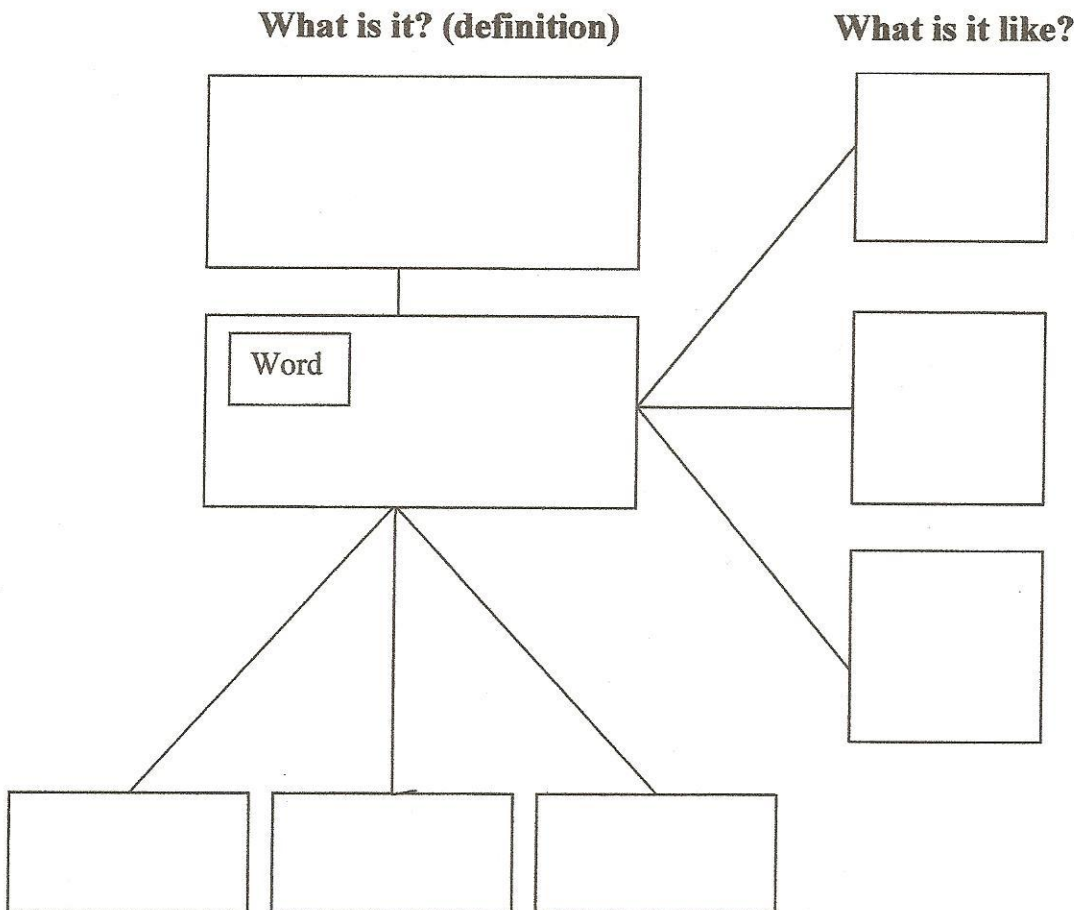
Concept definition maps are organizers that help students understand the essential attributes, qualities, or characteristics of a word's meaning. Students are required to describe what the concept is, make comparisons, tell what it is like, and give examples.

1. Discuss the questions that a definition should answer:
What is it? What broader category can it fit in?
What is it like? What are its characteristics?
What can you compare it to? What can you contrast it to?
What are examples?

When students are familiar with how to use the organizer, assign a concept word.

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Word: _____



What are some examples? Write them in the three boxes above.