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#### LIFE SKILL: CATEGORIZE INFORMATION

When you categorize information, one benefit is that you eliminate what is unnecessary and you can concentrate on what you need. Also, while you categorize, you are turning the information over in your mind, thinking through possibilities. Thereby, you improve your thinking and are better prepared for writing, speaking, tests and exams.

## Practice


**1** See if you can match the lists to the categories.

- a** alligator, iguana, lizard \_\_\_\_\_
- b** navy, cornflower, aquamarine \_\_\_\_\_
- c** It's beneficial. They're extremely difficult to understand. One advantage is the low cost. \_\_\_\_\_
- d** humid, blizzard, misty \_\_\_\_\_
- e** Uranus, Saturn, Venus \_\_\_\_\_
- f** sycamore, oak, weeping willow \_\_\_\_\_

- 1** opinions
- 2** types of blue
- 3** reptiles
- 4** types of weather
- 5** types of tree
- 6** planets

**2**  Were you able to match up the lists and categories without a dictionary? Discuss with your partner which words are new for you.

**3** Can you add any more words to each category?

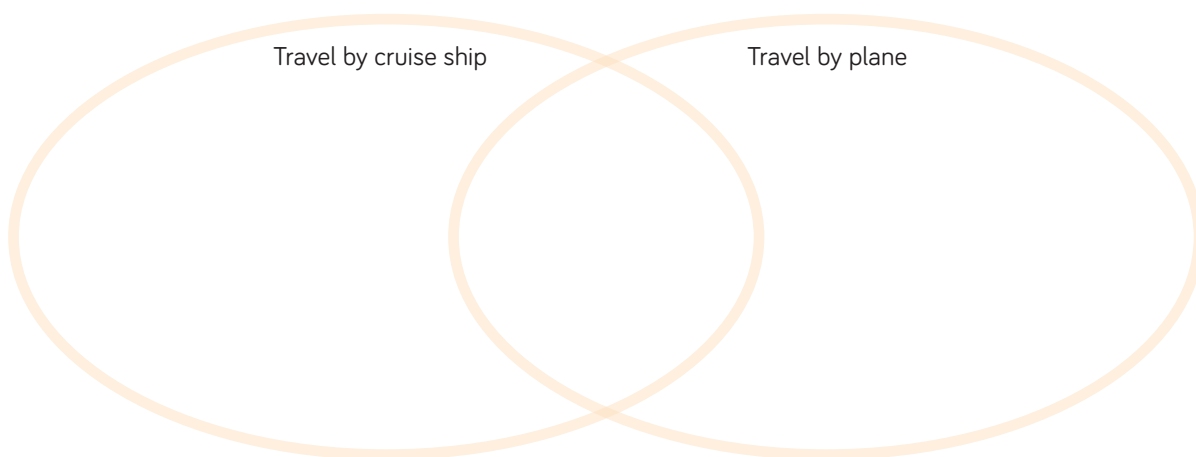
**4**  Here are some more categories. Working with a partner, see how many words/phrases you can think of for each one.


European countries	Pairs of opposites	Large mammals	Words that mean happy	Advantages of speaking English

**5** Here is a Venn diagram. See if you can sort these words/phrases into the categories.

can offer amenities like bars and clubs	can take many days	easier with young children
economy tickets	more expensive	travel over long distances
travel over short distances	very comfortable	very safe
used by more people	you can walk around freely	very fast

**Comparison of travel by cruise ship and travel by plane**



**6**  Do you and your partner agree on where you have put the information in the Venn diagram?