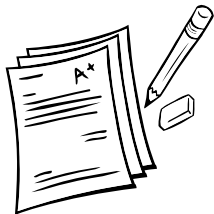


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Mixed Skills: Using Affixes and Base Words, and More

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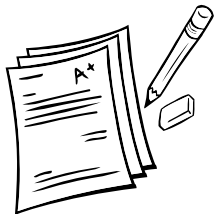
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Reading Fluently

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It was a snowy day toward the end of winter. Benjamin walked down the sidewalk toward the Savoy Ballroom. He went there every day after school to wait for his mom or dad to get off work. Then they would walk home together, have supper, and work on Benjamin's homework.

A large crowd had formed outside the ballroom. Big cars lined the street, and people dressed in fine clothing stood on the sidewalk. Benjamin remembered his mom saying something about the newspaper that morning. Someone was coming to write a story about Uncle George.

“Maybe it’s the newspaper making all this fuss,” thought Benjamin.

He stepped closer and hid behind a lamppost. Benjamin saw Uncle George talking and laughing with several people. Then his uncle broke into a wild dance. Everyone backed up to give him room. They all clapped as the entertainer twirled and jumped. His arms stretched wide, as his legs sent him soaring into the air. Then a reporter shouted, “Hey, man, what was that?”

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Carlos got Jack to quit eating and quickly caught up with Dad and Maria.

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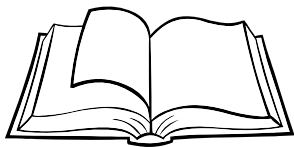
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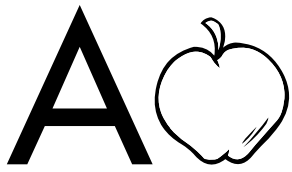
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Louis Agassiz was born on May 28, 1807, in Switzerland. He lived in a small French-speaking village called Montier. Louis went to school in Switzerland and Germany. In these schools, he studied to be a doctor. After becoming a doctor, Louis started studying fossils. With a friend, he studied fossil fish. They tried to record all the different types they found. Eventually, Louis wrote and published a book about fossil fish. Other scientists began to pay attention to Louis after reading his book.

Watching Glaciers

Louis took a job at a university in Switzerland as a teacher, where he taught for thirteen years. Louis liked working on different types of projects. After awhile, he studied glaciers, which are large masses of ice. He observed the glaciers in Switzerland. As he observed the glaciers, he noticed traces of glaciers that were not there. He noticed marks on the ground and large rocks bigger than a person. He saw rocks that were scratched and some that were smooth. He also noticed piles of small rocks and soil in areas near glaciers. These piles are called moraines.

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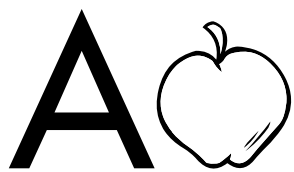
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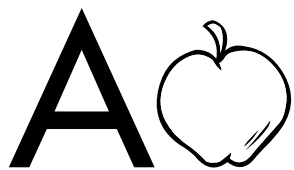
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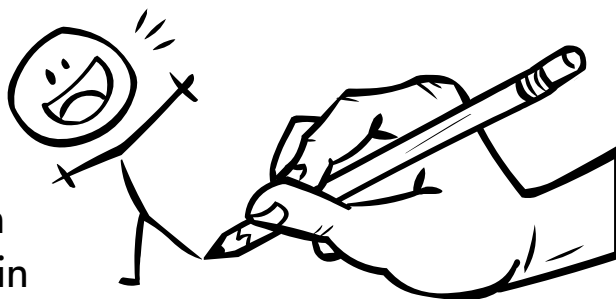


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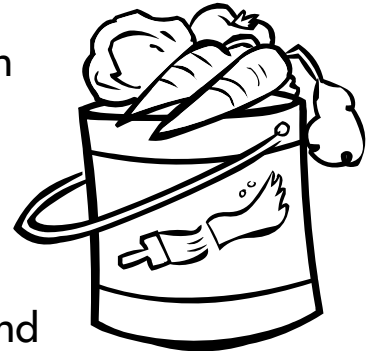
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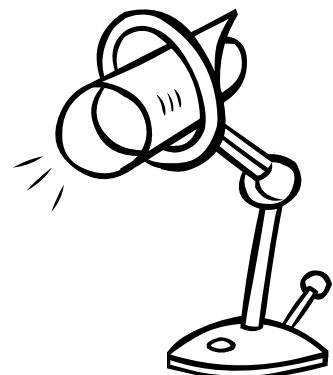


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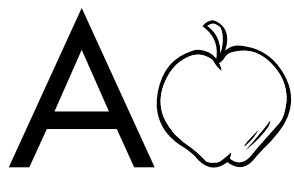
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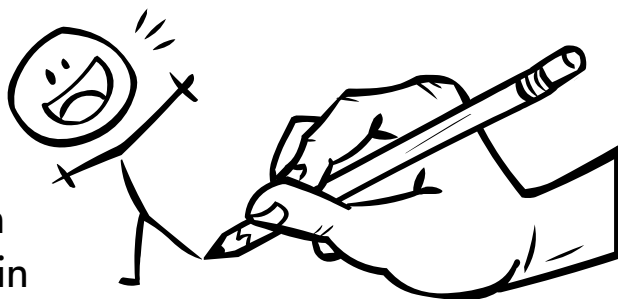


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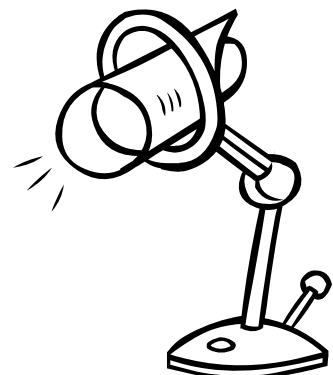


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Millions of happy customers say Point-It-Out Lamp is the greatest invention of the twenty-first century. Of course, there is some special equipment to install and the lamp must be placed at the right height in order to work properly. Just read the directions carefully. Then never get up from your sofa again!

Directions: Read the information in the table below. Then reread the advertisements. Write words or phrases from the ads that go under each heading. An example has been done for you.

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Kyla remembers being awakened by the bell. She jumped into her gear and slid down the pole like a fish down a waterfall. In less than a minute, Engine 901 was roaring down Center Street toward the raging fire.

The building blazed like an enormous campfire. Screaming people rushed out doors and climbed out windows with only their nightclothes on and bare feet. The firefighters immediately began spraying the flames with a high-powered stream of water.

Kyla strapped on her gear, and then she headed in with her partners, Joe and Miguel. They had the job of searching the building for trapped or injured people and pets. The smoke was thick and black, which made it almost impossible to see anything.

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As the chief finishes his speech, Kyla walks up to accept her medal. This is an honor, but her greatest reward was seeing the smile on the old woman’s face when she placed the trembling puppy into her arms.

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Written by Selina Schuh Dopp

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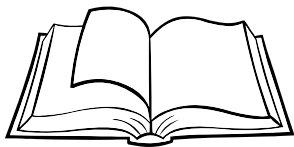
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At lunchtime, only a few students stayed at school. Lunchtime in France lasts much longer than in the United States. The teacher explained that it is the custom for most children to go home because this is when many families eat their main meal. Some children like Sarah, however, stayed at school for lunch.

Sarah went to the cafeteria with Emilie where they ordered soup and cheese sandwiches. The lady at the register indicated with her hands that the meal cost three euros. Sarah was still unfamiliar with French money, and Emilie assisted her with sorting through the coins.

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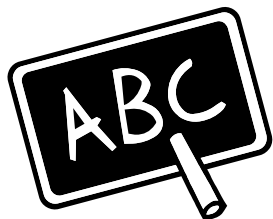
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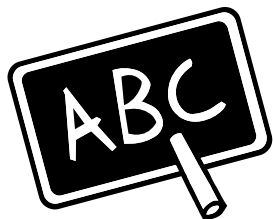
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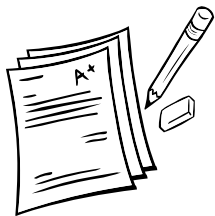
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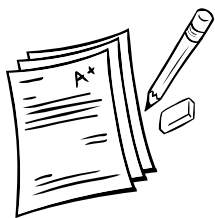
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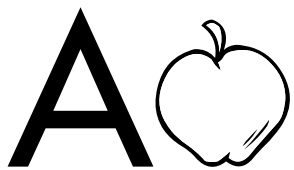
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Nancy Tendercare attended the job fair. "I am excited to work at such a modern hospital," said Ms. Tendercare. "I have been a nurse for ten years. My favorite duty is caring for newborn babies because they are so tiny and helpless. In the beginning, they need attention twenty-four hours a day."

The hospital has a new x-ray department. X-rays take important pictures of the bones and organs found inside a body. Greg Goodview's goal is to become head of this department someday.

Mr. Goodview shared, "I just completed several years of college to become an x-ray technician. Our job is to provide the doctors with clear pictures of the patients' problems. I once took a picture of a

crack in a bone that was so tiny, the doctor almost missed it. Fortunately, I was able to take such a clear picture that she was able to see the hairline crack.”

There are many other jobs available at the new hospital. All healthcare workers are encouraged to apply. Technicians are needed for taking blood, while orderlies help to move

patients when needed. Nurses’ aides are very important in helping patients be more comfortable.

Connie Comfortall loves to take care of the patients who are under her care. She said, “A hospital can be a scary place. Sometimes a smile and a fresh pillow can be just what the doctor ordered to help someone feel better.”

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2. Draw a line from each word on the left to its antonym on the right.

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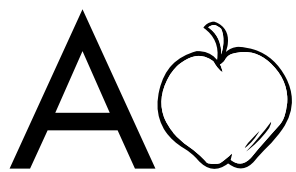
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Nancy Tendercare attended the job fair. "I am excited to work at such a modern hospital," said Ms. Tendercare. "I have been a nurse for ten years. My favorite duty is caring for newborn babies because they are so tiny and helpless. In the beginning, they need attention twenty-four hours a day."

The hospital has a new x-ray department. X-rays take important pictures of the bones and organs found inside a body. Greg Goodview's goal is to become head of this department someday.

Mr. Goodview shared, "I just completed several years of college to become an x-ray technician. Our job is to provide the doctors with clear pictures of the patients' problems. I once took a picture of a

crack in a bone that was so tiny, the doctor almost missed it. Fortunately, I was able to take such a clear picture that she was able to see the hairline crack.”

There are many other jobs available at the new hospital. All healthcare workers are encouraged to apply. Technicians are needed for taking blood, while orderlies help to move

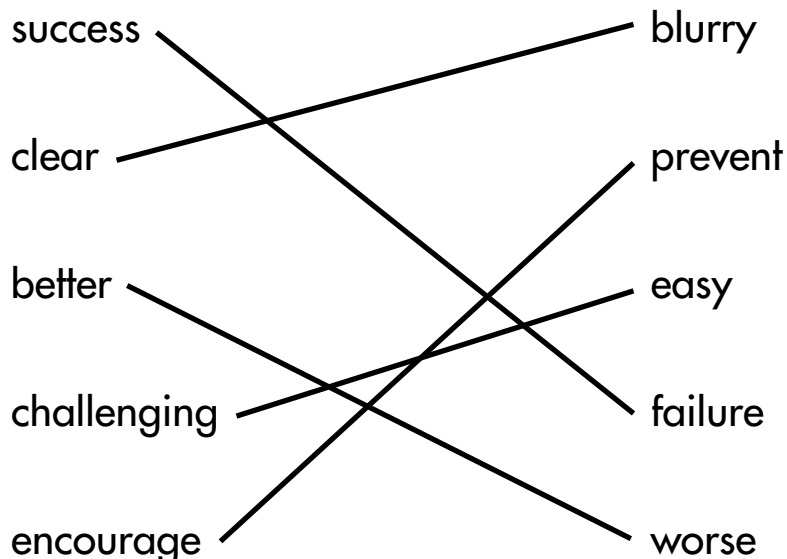
patients when needed. Nurses’ aides are very important in helping patients be more comfortable.

Connie Comfortall loves to take care of the patients who are under her care. She said, “A hospital can be a scary place. Sometimes a smile and a fresh pillow can be just what the doctor ordered to help someone feel better.”

1. Write a sentence that summarizes the information in the first paragraph.

The hospital needs to find good healthcare workers before it opens in the spring.

2. Draw a line from each word on the left to its antonym on the right.



3. Find a word in the article that means the same as the underlined word.
Then write the word in the blank to complete the sentence.

It is his purpose to attend medical school and train to be a doctor.

I have a _____ **goal** _____ to become an architect someday.

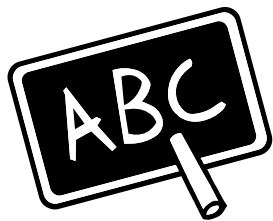
Directions: Read the question. Then write your answer in complete sentences on the lines below.

4. The statement in the box is about healthcare workers.

Finding the best people is a challenge.

What conclusions can you make from the statement? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.

Answers will vary.



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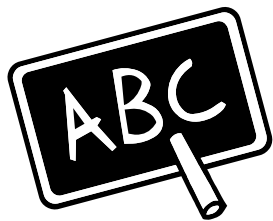
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Identifying Compare-and-Contrast Organizational Patterns

Directions: Read the passage. Then complete the activity that follows.



Television and Print Newspapers

Every year, Americans read print newspaper stories about their favorite teams in the NCAA basketball tournament. Many also anxiously tune in to the television broadcasts of the “March Madness” competition. Print newspapers provide detailed information at their fingertips that they can view without electronic devices. The TV puts them in the arena. The different strengths of print newspapers and television news can also be their weaknesses.

Satellite technology streamed to television can take you onto the ice of the South Pole or into downtown Tokyo. The television camera fills your senses with details that a print newspaper account does not have. Viewers become reporters gathering information from what they see and hear.

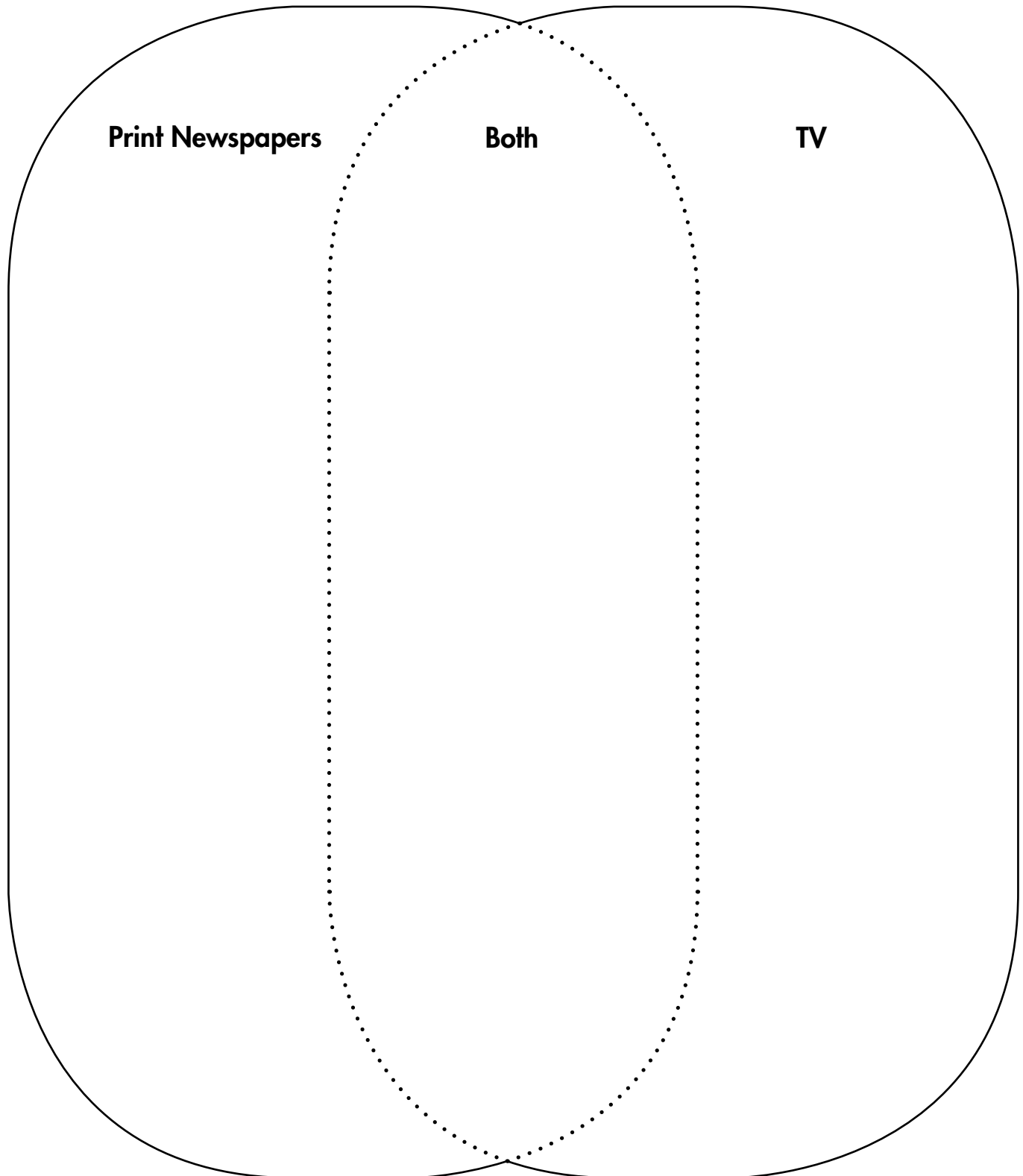
But the visual side of television news also can be a downside. Reports are often based on images rather than on anything that really matters. There can be a 90-second story on a birth at the zoo, while a school tax vote receives 45 seconds.

Print newspaper stories do not have to meet the demand for pretty pictures. The time and space given to a story is usually decided by its impact. We read about where the jobs are going to be in ten years rather than view local fender-benders and high-speed chases. Like television broadcasters, print newspaper publishers have to make money and carry advertisements. But a lot of their money comes from subscribers. Because subscribers are paying customers, print newspapers know they have to answer to readers just as they do to advertisers.

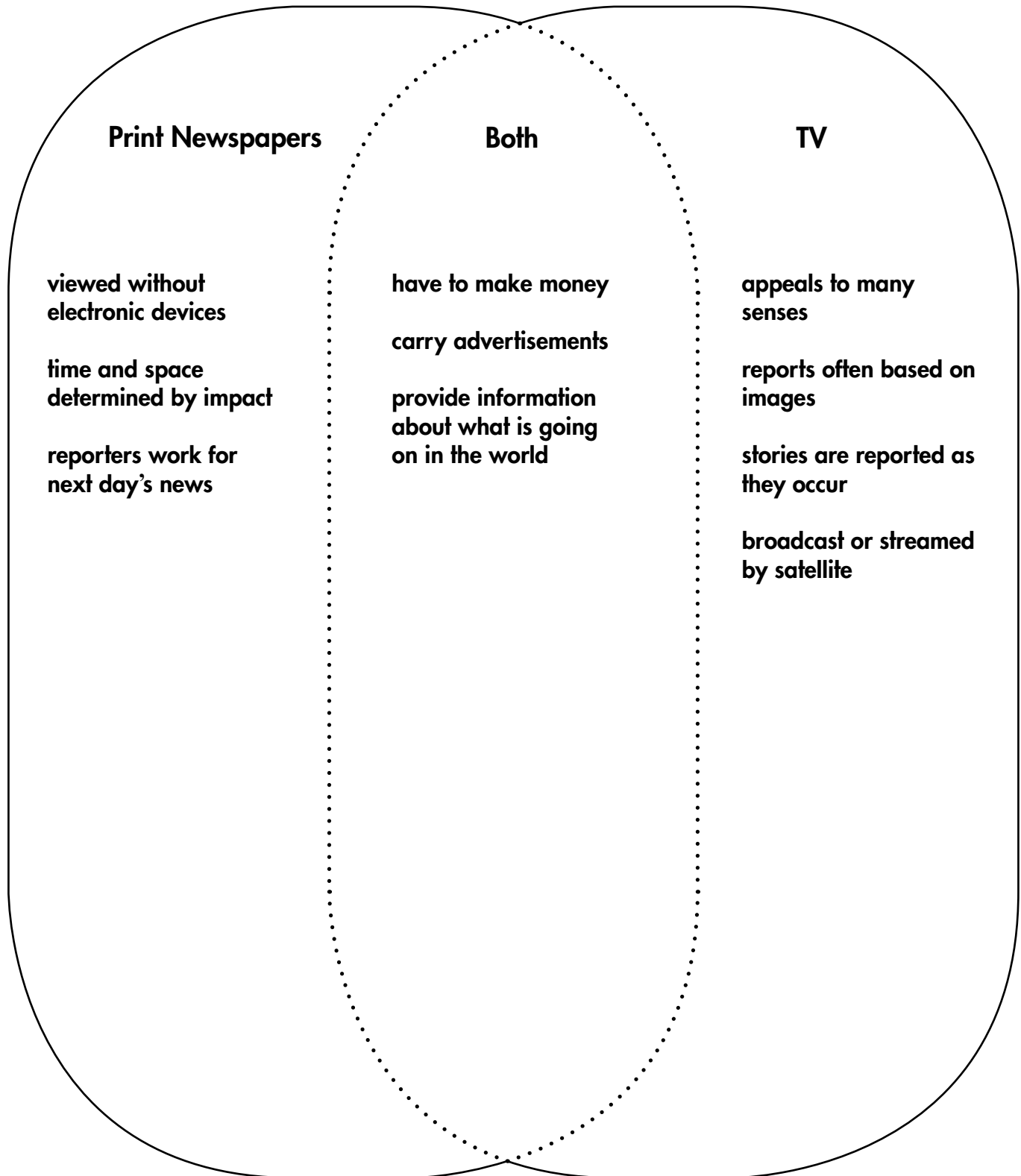
While print newspaper reporters are writing stories for the next day’s edition, television cameras can focus on the news instantly. A person without television might wait hours for information that a television viewer will learn in minutes. Networks can broadcast live. Viewers can see a presidential speech or a game-winning score as it happens.

In conclusion, comparing print and TV news is really like comparing apples and oranges. They have different advantages and disadvantages. For people interested in news, some of both might offer a balanced diet.

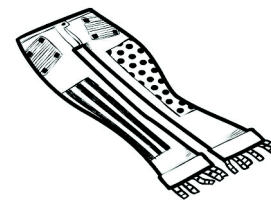
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Using Clue Words to Differentiate Facts, Opinions, Generalizations, and Overgeneralizations



Directions: Read the passage. Then complete the activity that follows.

Jean's Jeans

Jean and her aunt made their way down the sidewalk to the used clothing store. "We have ten orders," Jean remarked as she shook open a crumpled piece of notebook paper for her aunt to see.

"That's a wonderful start!" Jean's aunt said. "See, you can do anything you choose. You already have your own fashion design business."

"Sometimes it's necessary to start from scratch," Jean said with a playful grin. Her aunt had said the exact same thing a month ago. Jean had called her up complaining that she could never afford any of the clothes at the mall. Her aunt had come by the next day with a sewing machine, a large box, and an old pair of beat-up jeans.

"These are perfect for you," she'd said, laughing at the expression on Jean's face. "Don't worry, everything works out in the end. These pants will be the only ones you'll ever want to wear when we're done," her aunt had added.

The box Jean's aunt brought over contained brightly colored ribbon, braided tassels, metallic antique buttons, and assorted fabric scraps. "Usually, adults don't know what kids your age prefer, so you'll be the designer and I'll just sew," her aunt had said. Jean had felt a spark of excitement as she began sifting through the various pieces of fabric and other embellishments in order to decide how to refashion the old jeans.

She chose a striped fabric for her aunt to sew down the side of one pant leg. She chose a polka-dotted pattern for the side of the other pant leg. She had her aunt cuff the bottoms of the jeans with wide swaths of indigo beaded tassel. She even stitched two front pockets herself. She fashioned them from crushed velvet and lined them with silver square buttons. When the jeans were finished, Jean's aunt commented that they were "simply spectacular."

"So, what will you call your business?" Jean's aunt asked, snapping Jean out of her reverie. "I have only one choice," Jean replied. "*Jean's Jeans* says it all, don't you agree?"

"That's a terrific name!" Jean's aunt said as she took her arm and they walked into the store to buy ten pairs of old beat-up denim pants.

Directions: Place the following sentences from the passage into the correct category. Then write a response to the last question.

“You already have your own fashion design business.”

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Answers will vary. Jean thought she would use a play on words that includes her name and her new profession. There is a sense of irony that someone named Jean would like to work in the jeans business. Jean respects her aunt’s opinion so she needed to make sure her aunt agreed that the only choice she had for her business name would be Jean’s Jeans.