



Venn Diagram

You and your students may already be familiar with Venn diagrams, but if you are not, this information may help you make the most of this graphic organizer during the lesson. Venn diagrams support students as they make comparisons between objects or other things, such as outdoor sites. In a Venn diagram, two circles interlock. Components or properties of each entity (ex.: the marsh and another outdoor study site) are listed in corresponding circles. Those properties that are shared by both (ex: water, air) are placed in the overlapping area of the two circles. Completing the diagram requires critical thinking. Furthermore, students can quickly see the differences and similarities between the objects being compared.

