

Solving Analogies

An analogy is a comparison between two pairs of words in which the two pairs are related in the same way.

TO SOLVE AN ANALOGY, FIRST, FIGURE OUT HOW THE FIRST PAIR OF WORDS ARE RELATED. THEN, THINK OF A WORD THAT COMPLETES THE SECOND PAIR IN THE SAME WAY.

EXAMPLE

These two words are opposites.

new : old

:: narrow : wide

These two must be opposites, too.

It helps to know some of the most common types of analogies:

SYNONYMS
ANTONYMS
PART/WHOLE
OBJECT/ACTION
SOURCE/PRODUCT
ANIMAL/HABITAT
SEQUENCE
CHARACTERISTIC
DEGREE
CAUSE/EFFECT

**The sides
need to
BALANCE.**

