
EXERCISE: Similarities and differences

If two things are *alike* in some particular respect, they are called *similar*. For example, a child and a tiger cub can be similar in respect to *weight*.

If two things are *not alike* in some particular respect, they are, of course, considered *different* in that respect. For example, two eggs may be very much alike, but since one is white and the other brown, they are different with respect to *color*.

See if you can answer the following:

I.

1. A dog and a chair might be alike with respect to their _____.
2. A submarine and a space ship might be alike with respect to _____.
3. A towel and a shirt might be alike with respect to _____.
4. A fairy tale and a true story might be alike with respect to _____.
5. A baby and an elderly person might be alike with respect to _____.

II.

1. Two automobile tires on the same car might be different with respect to _____.
2. Two geese in the same flock might be different with respect to _____.
3. Two grains of sugar might be different with respect to _____.
4. Two students in the same class might differ with respect to _____.
5. Two parents in the same family might differ with respect to _____.

III.

1. A whale might be like a _____ with respect to color.
2. A tin can might be like a _____ with respect to shape.
3. A bridge might be like a _____ with respect to the materials of which it is made.
4. A diamond might be like a _____ with respect to size.
5. A book might be like a _____ with respect to cost.

IV.

1. Two _____ might be different with respect to the number of inches they walk every day.
2. Two _____ might be different with respect to the length of their wings.
3. Two _____ might be different with respect to how loudly they croak.
4. Two _____ might be different with respect to how much they like each other.
5. Two _____ might be different with respect to the ease with which they can be broken.