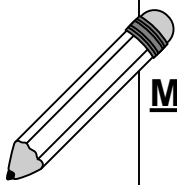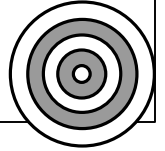## Semantic Feature Analysis

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Purpose: To synthesize information by evaluating new knowledge and making categorical judgments

Materials: copies of the semantic feature analysis, pencils

Procedure:
- Make a chart.
- Record the objects to be compared in a column on the left side of the chart.
- Record the attributes of the objects in a row across the top of the chart.
- To complete a semantic feature analysis chart, trace your finger down the first column and across each row, one attribute at a time. Place a + in each square for which the attribute is true. Place a – in each square for which the attribute does not correlate.
- Discuss the similarities and differences seen in the semantic feature.

Modified from Johnson, D. D., & Pearson, P. D. (1984). *Teaching reading vocabulary* (2nd ed.). New York: Holt, Rinehart, and Winston.

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Write one object to be compared in each cell down the column on the left side of the chart. Write one attribute of the objects in each cell of the row across the top of the chart.

Trace your finger down the first column and across each row, one attribute at a time. Place a + in each square for which the attribute is true. Place a - in each square for which the attribute is not true. Look for similarities and differences.

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What do you notice?