

3.1 Types of Sets and Set Notation p. 146

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Goal: Understand sets and set notation.

1. **set:** A collection of distinguishable objects; for example, the set of whole numbers is $W = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.
2. **element:** An object in a set; for example, 3 is an element of D , the set of digits.
3. **universal set:** A set of all the elements under consideration for a particular context (also called the sample space); for example, the universal set of digits is $D = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$.
4. **subset:** A set whose elements all belong to another set; for example, the set of odd digits, $O = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$, is a subset of D , the set of digits. In set notation, this relationship is written as: $O \subset D$.
5. **complement:** All the elements of a universal set that do not belong to a subset of it; for example, $O' = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$ is the complement of $O = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$, a subset of the universal set of digits, D . The complement is denoted with a prime sign, O' .
6. **empty set:** A set with no elements; for example, the set of odd numbers divisible by 2 is the empty set. The empty set is denoted by $\{ \}$ or \emptyset .
7. **disjoint:** Two or more sets having no elements in common; for example, the set of even numbers and the set of odd numbers are disjoint.
8. **finite set:** A set with a countable number of elements; for example, the set of even numbers less than 10, $E = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$, is finite.
9. **infinite set:** A set with an infinite number of elements; for example, the set of natural numbers, $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$, is infinite.
10. **mutually exclusive:** Two or more events that cannot occur at the same time; for example, the Sun rising and the Sun setting are mutually exclusive events.

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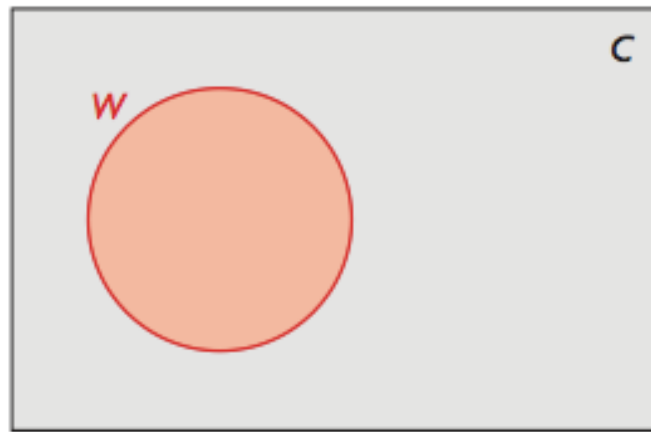
Jasmine is studying the provinces and territories of Canada. She has decided to categorize the provinces and territories using **sets** .



How can Jasmine use sets to categorize Canada's regions?

A. List the elements of the universal set of Canadian provinces and territories, C .

B. One subset of C is the set of Western provinces and territories, W . Write W in set notation.



C. The Venn diagram above represents the universal set, C . The circle in the Venn diagram represents the subset W . The **complement** of W is the set W' .

i. Describe what W' contains.

ii. Write W' in set notation.

iii. Explain what W' represents in the Venn diagram.

D. Jasmine wrote the set of Eastern provinces as follows: $E = \{NL, PE, NS, NB, QC, ON\}$ Is E equal to W' ? Explain.

E. List T , the set of territories in Canada. Is T a subset of C ? Is it a subset of W , or a subset of W' ? Explain using your Venn diagram.

F. Explain why you can represent the set of Canadian provinces south of Mexico by the **empty set** .

G. Consider sets C , W , W' , and T . List a pair of disjoint sets. Is there more than one pair of **disjoint** sets?

H. Complete your Venn diagram by listing the elements of each subset in the appropriate circle.

Communication	Notation
The following is a summary of notation introduced so far.	
Sets are defined using brackets. For example, to define the universal set of the numbers 1, 2, and 3, list its elements:	
$U = \{1, 2, 3\}$	
To define the set A that has the numbers 1 and 2 as elements:	
$A = \{1, 2\}$	
All elements of A are also elements of U , so A is a subset of U :	
$A \subset U$	
The set A' , the complement of A , can be defined as:	
$A' = \{3\}$	
To define the set B , a subset of U that contains the number 4:	
$B = \{ \}$ or $B = \emptyset$	
$B \subset U$	

Communication	Notation
The phrase "from 1 to 5" means "from 1 to 5 inclusive."	
In set notation, the number of elements of the set X is written as $n(X)$.	
For example, if the set X is defined as the set of numbers from 1 to 5:	
$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$	
$n(X) = 5$	

Example 1: Sorting numbers using set notation and a Venn diagram (p.148)

- a) Indicate the multiples of 5 and 10, from 1 to 500, using set notation. List any subsets.
- b) Represent the sets and subsets in a Venn diagram.

Example 2: Determining the number of elements in sets (p. 149)

A triangular number, such as 1, 3, 6, or 10, can be represented as a triangular array.



- a) Determine a pattern you can use to determine any triangular number.
- b) Determine how many natural numbers from 1 to 100 are
 - i) even and triangular,
 - ii) odd and triangular, and
 - iii) not triangular.
- c) How many numbers are triangular?

Example 3: Describing the relationships between sets (p. 151)

Alden and Connie rescue homeless animals and advertise in the local newspaper to find homes for the animals. They are setting up a web page to help them advertise the animals that are available. They currently have dogs, cats, rabbits, ferrets, parrots, lovebirds, macaws, iguanas, and snakes.

- a) Design a way to organize the animals on the web page. Represent your organization using a Venn diagram.
- b) Name any disjoint sets.
- c) Show which sets are subsets of one another using set notation.
- d) Alden said that the set of fur-bearing animals could form one subset. Name another set of animals that is equal to this subset.

Example 4: Solving a problem using a Venn diagram (p.152)

Bilyana recorded the possible sums that can occur when you roll two four-sided dice in an outcome table:

	1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4	5
2	3	4	5	6
3	4	5	6	7
4	5	6	7	8

- Display the following sets in one Venn diagram:
 - rolls that produce a sum less than 5
 - rolls that produce a sum greater than 5
- Record the number of elements in each set.
- Determine a formula for the number of ways that a sum less than or greater than 5 can occur. Verify your formula.

In Summary

Key Ideas

- You can represent a set of elements by:
 - listing the elements; for example, $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$
 - using words or a sentence; for example,
 $A = \{\text{all integers greater than 0 and less than 6}\}$
 - using set notation; for example, $A = \{x \mid 0 < x < 6, x \in \mathbb{I}\}$
- You can show how sets and their subsets are related using Venn diagrams. Venn diagrams do not usually show the relative sizes of the sets.
- You can often separate a universal set into subsets, in more than one correct way.

Need to Know

- Sets are equal if they contain exactly the same elements, even if the elements are listed in different orders.
- You may not be able to count all the elements in a very large or infinite set, such as the set of real numbers.
- The sum of the number of elements in a set and its complement is equal to the number of elements in the universal set:
$$n(A) + n(A') = n(U)$$
- When two sets A and B are disjoint,
$$n(A \text{ or } B) = n(A) + n(B)$$



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