



Edible Mushrooms



shiitake



oyster



king oyster



enoki



button



chestnut



portobello



lion's mane



morel

Important Mushroom Foraging Warning

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Ideas for using this resource

These ideas are for a wide range of ages (something for everyone) - pick the ideas that are suitable for your child/ren.

Using one set

- Cut each image into 2, 3 or 4 pieces to make your own mini jigsaw puzzles
- Put the mushrooms in alphabetical order.
- Discover initial sounds - find the mushroom/s that begins with...
- Find the mushroom with a phase 3 phonics sound - say the sound (phoneme) or show the sound (grapheme) for - ng, er, ch, th - discuss words that don't work phonetically to sound out.
- Sort using a Venn diagram - you can use two simple circles or have them overlapping. Sort by colours, features etc. I have provided overlapping circles (two sizes) below and category suggestions - you can make up your own categories.
- Play Kim's game - have two or more mushroom pictures and memorise them. Take one away - which one is missing?
- How many syllables in each name? Clap them out and sort them into piles (you could use this as categories in your Venn diagram).
- Estimate how many mushrooms you can see without counting. Write it down or select the number from cards or magnetic numbers. Now count the number of mushrooms. How close was your estimate?
- Talk about why you think the mushrooms have the names they do. Does the name match the meaning? What language is the word from?
- Sort into edible and deadly - discuss safety information for mushrooms.
- If you don't have real mushrooms you can use the images to image exploring the senses with mushrooms.

Using two sets

- Use as Montessori three part cards.

Venn Diagram

category 1

category 2

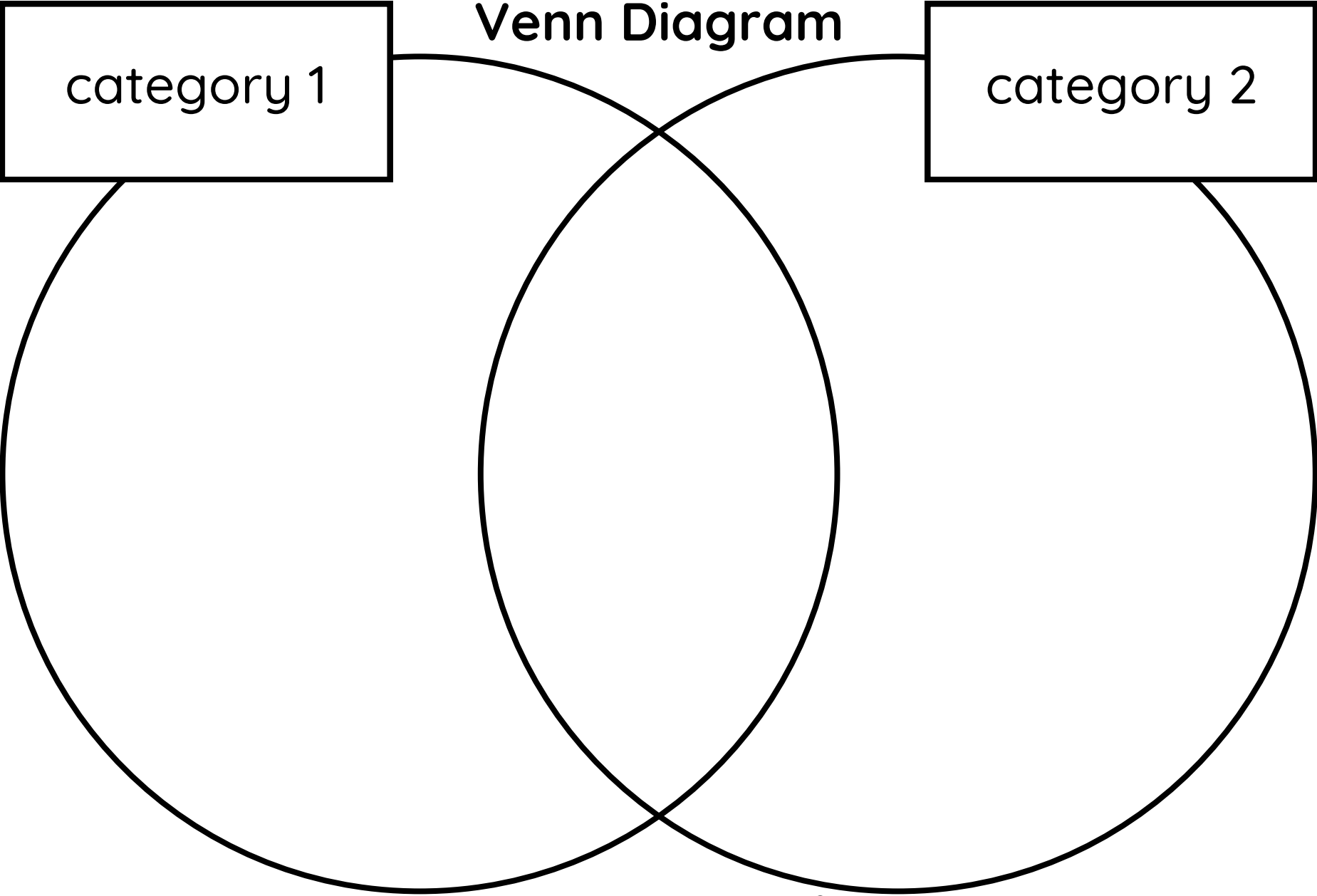
Venn Diagram

sorting category ideas

red	orange	white
cream	brown	poisonous
edible	gills	spots

Add a category to each side of your Venn diagram. Pick a mushroom and then decide whether it fits into just the first category on the left, just the second category on the right, it may fit in both categories and go in the middle overlapping circles or it may sit outside the circles and not fit any category.

Venn Diagram



Exploring with Senses

WARNING: only use this resource with shop purchased, edible mushrooms that are safe to be explored through the senses.

name		
draw picture		
look		
listen		
feel		
smell		
taste		

- look - What can you see on the outside - cut the mushroom - what can you observe on the inside?
- listen - Does the mushroom make any noise when you squish it, cut it, move it?
- feel - How do different parts of the mushroom feel, if you eat it what does it feel like in your mouth?
- smell - What does the mushroom smell like - do you like the smell?
- taste - What does the mushroom taste like - do you like the taste?

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