

第二届上海高校学术英语
教学公开课暨竞赛

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Relax and have fun!

What is it?

Mango is a fruit which grows in tropical regions with juicy yellow flesh surrounding a fiber pit.

fruit

tropical

yellow

juicy

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Definitions in academic textbooks:

cult

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cohousing

housing projects where buildings are designed to encourage social contact while preserving private space



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DEFINITION

TEACHING OBJECTIVES

To identify definitions

To write one-sentence definitions

To write expanded definitions

Text1

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Read and find the definitions of the following terms

Sanctions	
Positive sanctions	
Modelling	

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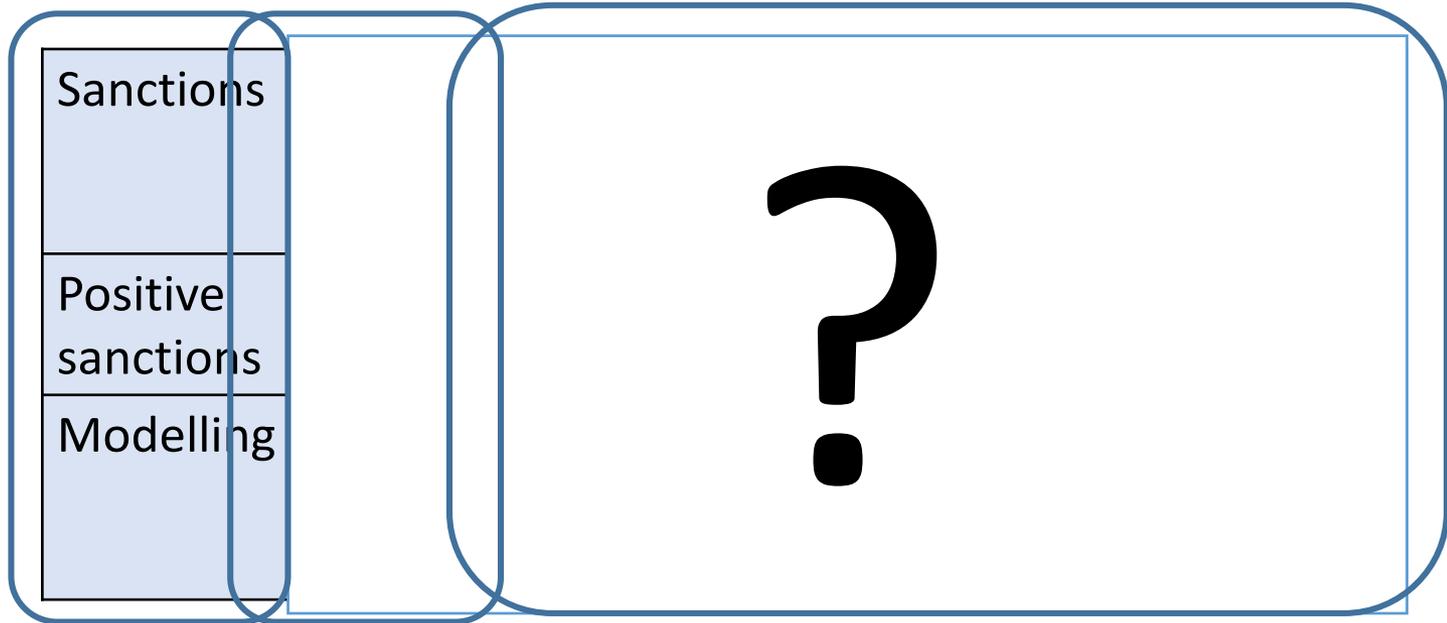
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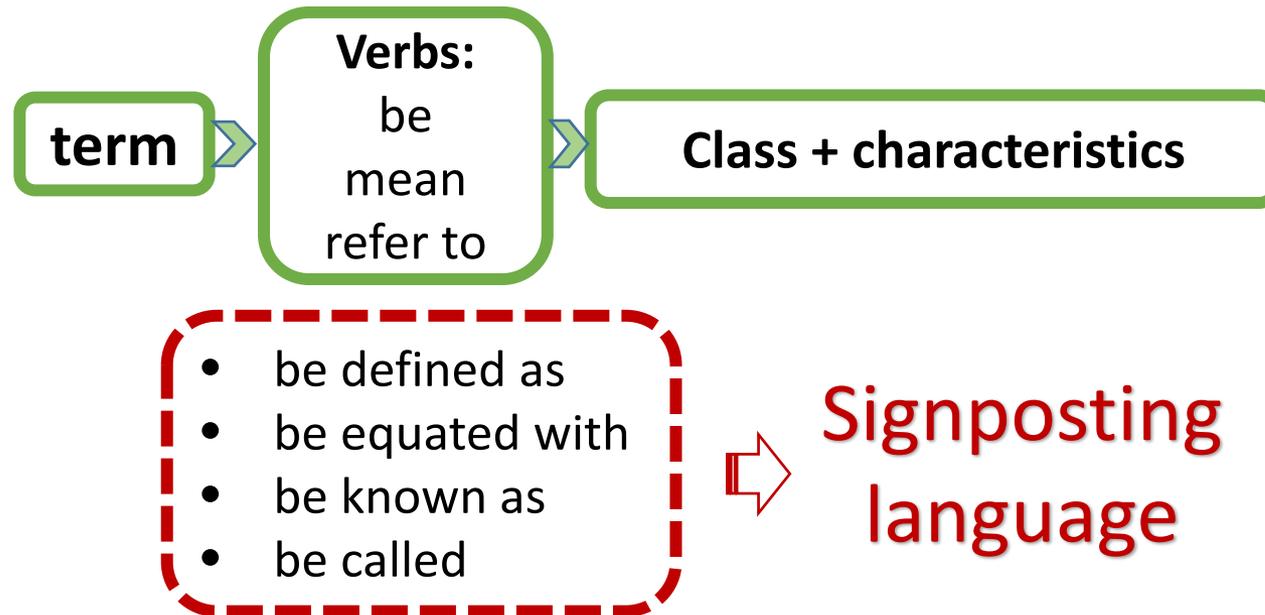
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Definition and its 3 parts

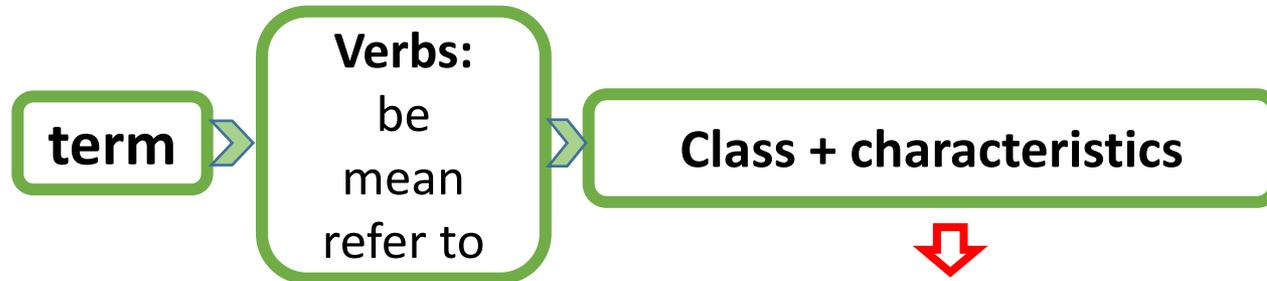


Structure of a definition (1)

Sanctions are consequences following a behavior that influence whether the behavior will be repeated.



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can be in different forms, but mostly:

- **Prepositional phrase (介词短语)**, e.g.
• A meeting is an event for making decisions.
- **Attributive clause (定语从句)**, e.g.
• A psychologist is a scientist who studies and is trained in psychology.



Match and complete

be/refer to/ mean/can be defined as

A university

Generation gap

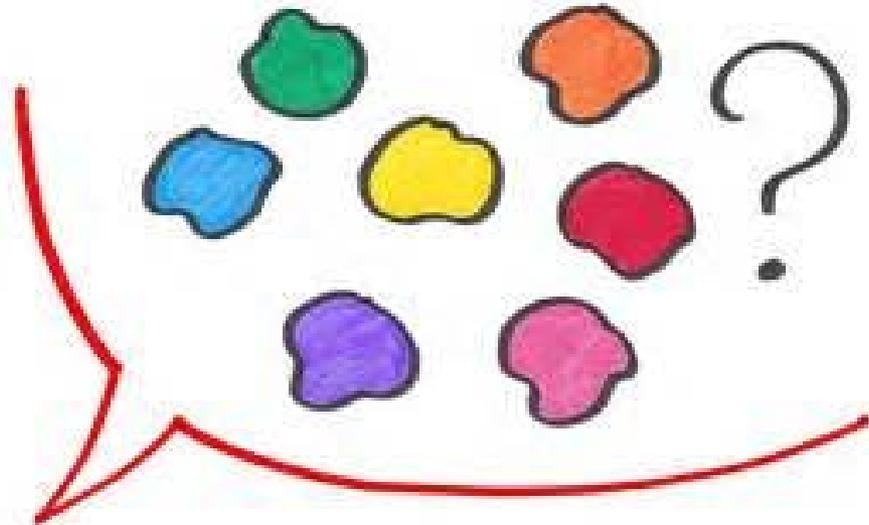
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celebrity

somebody who is only, or perhaps mostly famous through their presence on the internet

the distance and contradiction between the old and the young

an institution of higher education and research which grants academic degrees in various subjects



still Puzzled?

Structure of definition (2) --- expanded in paragraphs

Read text 1 and text 2 again and find if there are any supporting details. What are their functions?

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definition

example

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Text 2

Modeling

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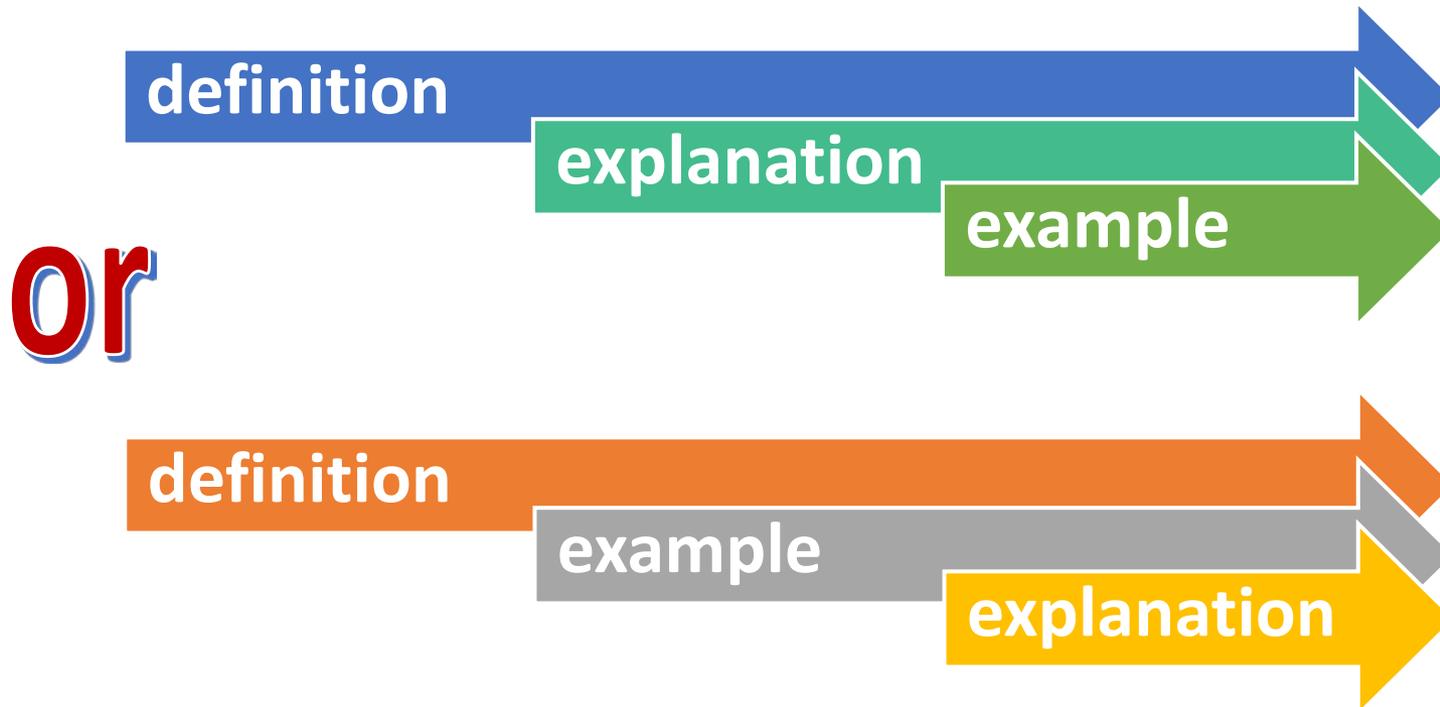
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Recognize definition, example and explanation in the text

Definition

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Example

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Explanation

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Text 3

¹Hygiene needs are those factors which create dissatisfaction at work if they are not attended to. ²At school you will probably be demotivated if the classroom are not clean, or if the heating is not working properly. ³Hygiene factors are necessary for you to get started, but they don't motivate you to succeed.



Expand it together!

definition

A university is an institution of higher education and research which grants academic degrees in various subjects.

example

For example, Harvard University in the USA and Oxford University in the UK are well known in the world.

explanation

Good universities are characterized by academic freedom and independence and creativity.



Expand it on your own!

definition

Generation gap can be defined as the distance and contradiction between the old and the young.

example

For example, old people believe that _____ while young people think _____.

explanation

Generation gap is usually caused by _____
/can be narrowed down through _____.

Homework and resources

Write an expanded definition for a term related to your own major.

You might also refer to:

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/622/01/>

<https://www.prismnet.com/~hcexres/textbook/def.html>

Review

Identification of definitions

--- Signposting language

Structure of one-sentence definitions

--- term + verb + class, characteristics

Structure of expanded definitions

--- definition + example + explanation

THANK YOU!

