

## ANALOGIES

*Definition:* An analogy is the relationship of a group of four words.

[ : ] the two dots are read as “ is to ”

[ :: ] the four dots are read as “ as ”

The analogies below are read as follows.

➤ DOG: PUPPY :: CAT: KITTEN

➤ Dog is to a puppy as Cat is to a kitten

➤ APPLE: FRUIT :: CARROT: VEGETABLE

> Apple is to a fruit the same as Carrot is to a vegetable

The analogies can be read with “the same” in the sentence when first teaching. It is recommended that after a child has mastered the concept, the word analogy should be read like the dog and puppy example.

In teaching the above instructions to your child, Have them always ask the two following questions.

- What is the relationship between the first two words?
- Which word is related to the third word in the same way that the second word is related to the first word?

Most word analogies provide the first three words and have a multiple choice for the fourth. Some exercises required that the child choose a fourth word of his/her own.

Below are different types of analogies used. Your child should become familiar with these types and be able to identify which type for each group of words.

- \*\* ANTONYM
- \*\* ASSOCIATION
- \*\* PART OF
- \*\* ACTION
- \*\* SYNONYM
- \*\* KIND OF
- \*\* USED TO