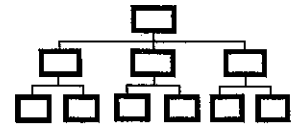


Rules



Task Starters

- Describe the rules.
- Identify the implicit and explicit rules.
- How do you evaluate rules' efficiency and validity?
- How are rules related to patterns and details?
- Compare structural rules and procedural rules.

Related Thinking Skills

- describe (the rules)
- identify relationships (among rules)
- categorize/classify (rules)
- prioritize (the most important rules)
- differentiate fact from opinion and fact from fantasy and conjecture
- determine relevance
- judge with criteria (the importance of a set of rules)

RULES ARE:

- standards
- related to structure
- authoritative directions for conduct or procedure
- usual courses of action or behavior
- statements of truth (all or most of the time)
- methods
- organizational elements

Rules within the Disciplines—A Sample List

Language Arts	Math	Social Studies	Science
genres	the rules of:	supporting evidence	scientific method
grammar, punctuation	problem solving	primary documents & sources	measurement
word usage	operations	developing big ideas or generalizations	data collection
rules of style	computation	political science/ government/economics	data interpretation
poetry	almost everything in arithmetic, geometry and algebra	cultural mores	systems
proofreading	ratios		chemical reactions
matching writing to purpose	accuracy		

