

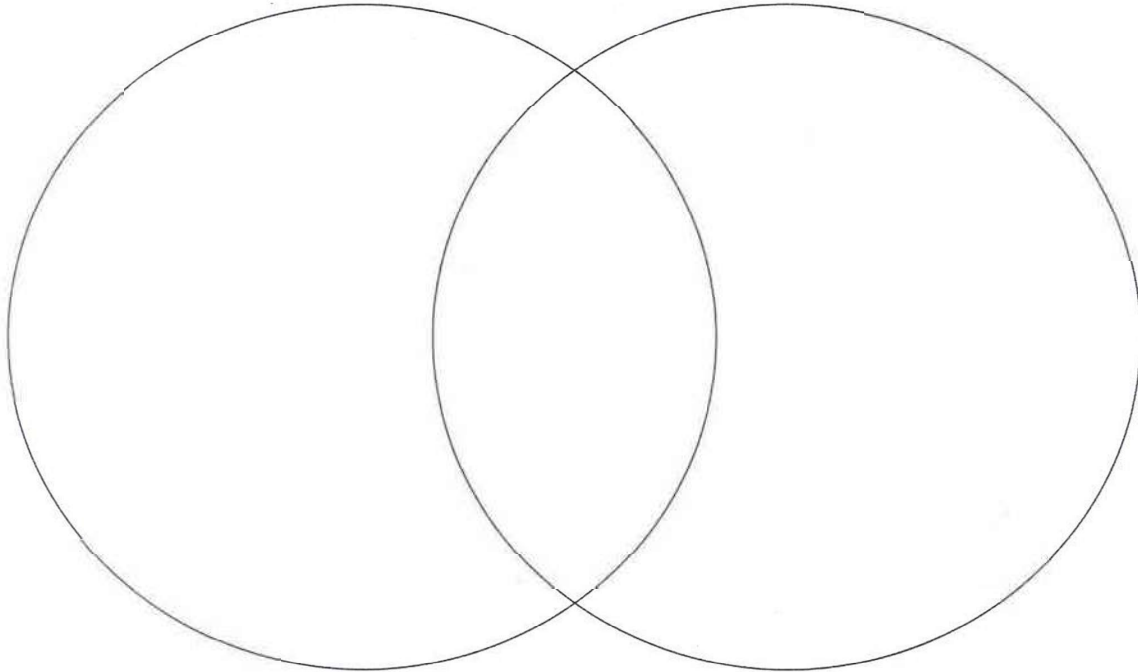
## Part 1

Are these words positive, negative, or both? Write them in the diagram. In class, talk about your ideas with a partner.

a role model   a follower   a loner   a pessimist   a know-it-all   an optimist  
a born leader   a problem solver

**Positive**

**Negative**



## Part 2

Complete the sentences with ideas from Part 1 and your own ideas. Make sentences that are true for you. In class, take turns reading your sentences with a partner.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is a born leader.
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ should also be \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I'm a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I don't really like people who are \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ is an optimist, but \_\_\_\_\_ is a pessimist.
6. A good role model must \_\_\_\_\_.
7. A problem solver \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ should be class president. He/She is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Followers are often \_\_\_\_\_.

## Part 1

Read the article below.

### Student Union President Elections

On Monday, students will vote for Student Union President. Voting will take place in the Student Union between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The results will be posted here the same evening.

Six candidates are running for Student Union President: Alan Walker, Dalia Ramiro, Maria Cabral, Hanaa Nasser, Robert Graham, and Ji-Won Kim.

As the editors of the school newspaper, we support Maria Cabral for president. She is a born leader and problem solver. When she was head of the campus tour guides, Cabral recorded the tour so visitors could go independently. She also pushed the school to make the paths easier for visitors in wheelchairs. Cabral has many good ideas for the Student Union. She works well with other people, so she can get things done. The school needs a leader and an optimist to develop school spirit.

The Student Union will have free coffee and cookies available during voting hours.



Complete the sentences with words from the article.

1. Students will vote for Student Union President on \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Students can vote between \_\_\_\_\_ and 5 p.m.
3. There are \_\_\_\_\_ candidates for president.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the school newspaper support \_\_\_\_\_.
5. They think she is a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Cabral used to be \_\_\_\_\_.
7. There will be free \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in the Student Union during voting hours.

**PAIR WORK** Discuss the questions.

1. What qualities do you think make a good student president?
2. When have you had a leadership role in the past?

## Part 2

People often need written recommendations for jobs or other positions. Write a recommendation for someone you know. Use the third paragraph above as a model.

## Part 3

Exchange your recommendations with a classmate. Did you mention any similar qualities? Are the recommendations persuasive?