Spelling @ Pontnewydd Primary School



Why are things changing?

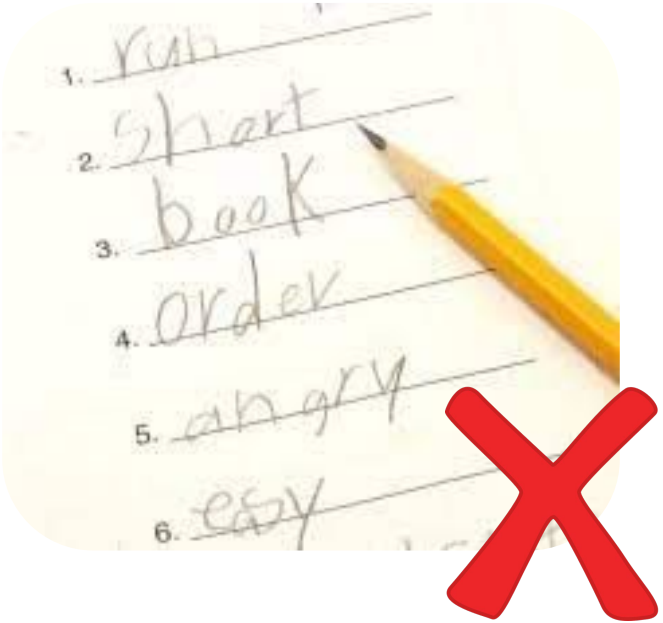


Research shows that learning a list of words once a week has very little impact on children using those words in their writing.

Research shows that children don't always know the meaning of the words that they are learning or HOW to use them.

Research shows that learning words in a repetitive way does not move those words to long-term memory.

what will the new test look like?



Spelling Test (Based on the Frayer Model)

Definition

Use a dictionary to find the meaning of the word!
Britannica is great on hwb!
An animal with a tail and soft fur.

Synonym

A word with the same meaning
You could use an online thesaurus to help you!
kitten

WORD

Spell the word correctly
CAT

Example Sentence

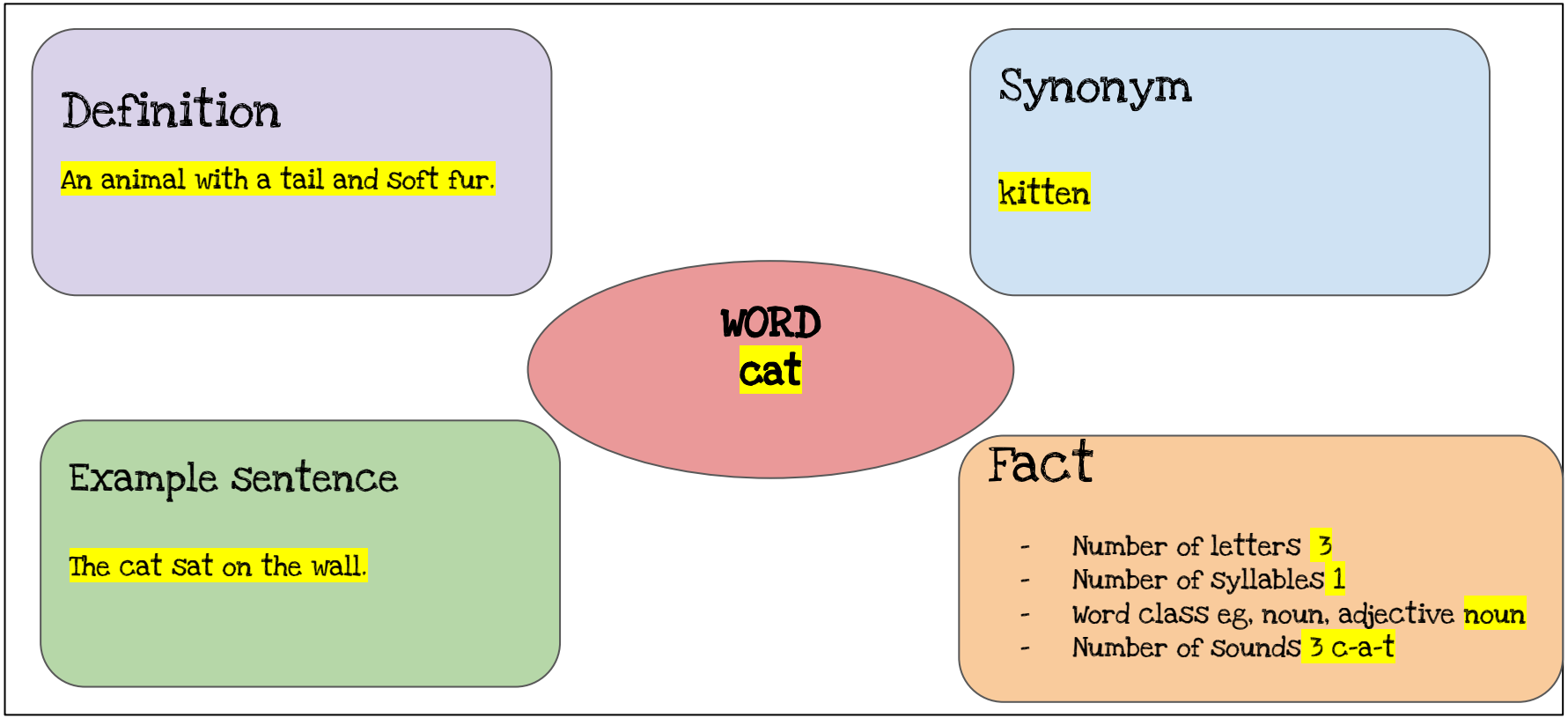
Write the word in a sentence
The cat sat on the wall.

Fact

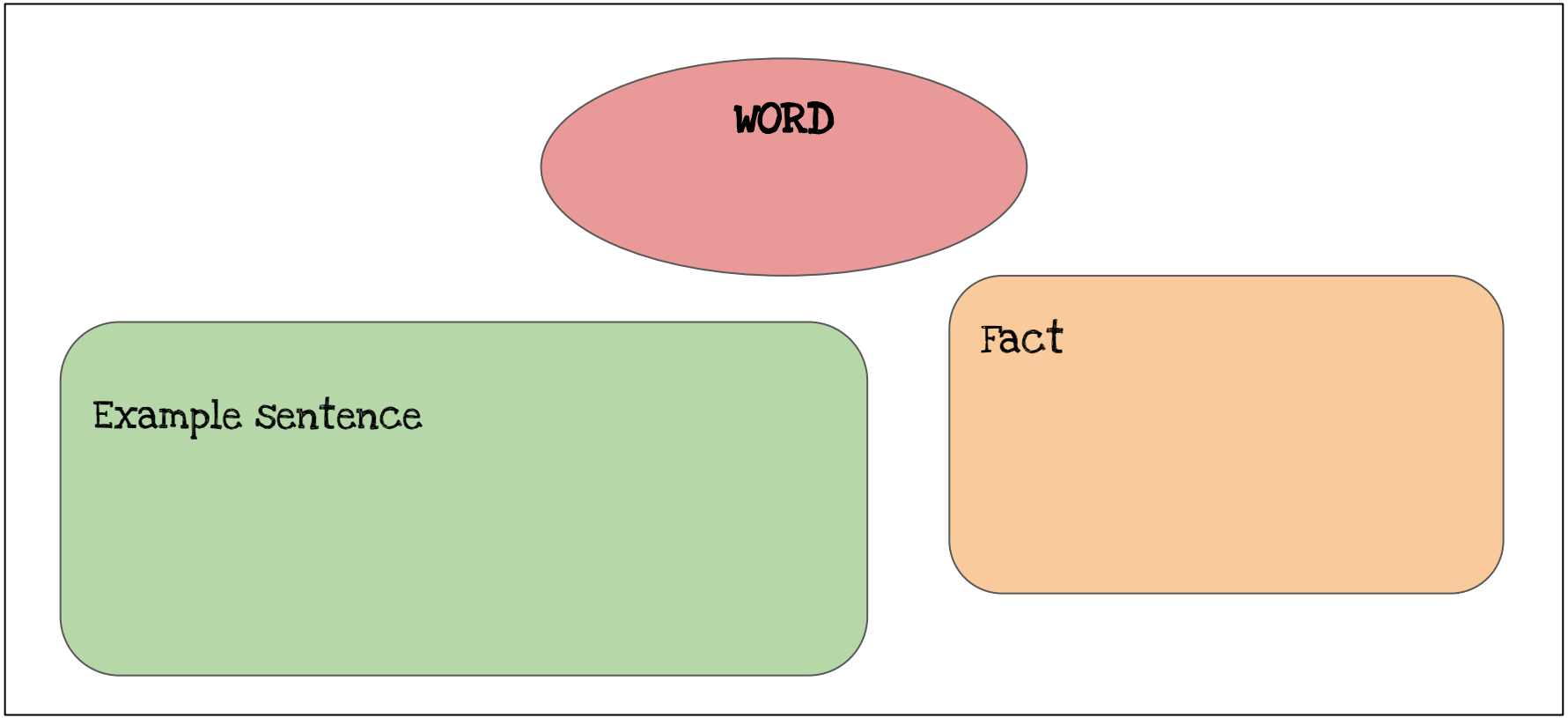
This could be:

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- Number of syllables 1
- Word class eg, noun, adjective noun
- Number of sounds 3 c-a-t

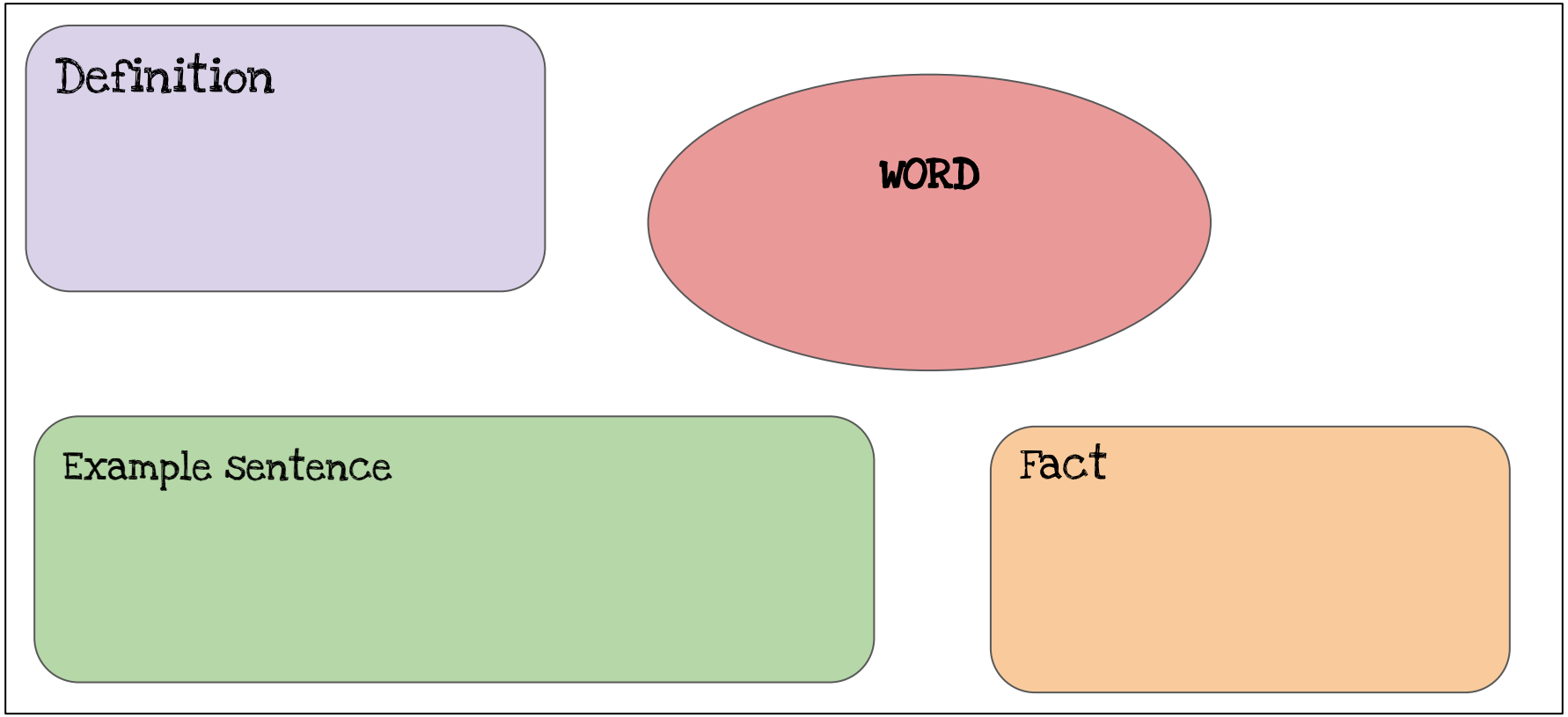
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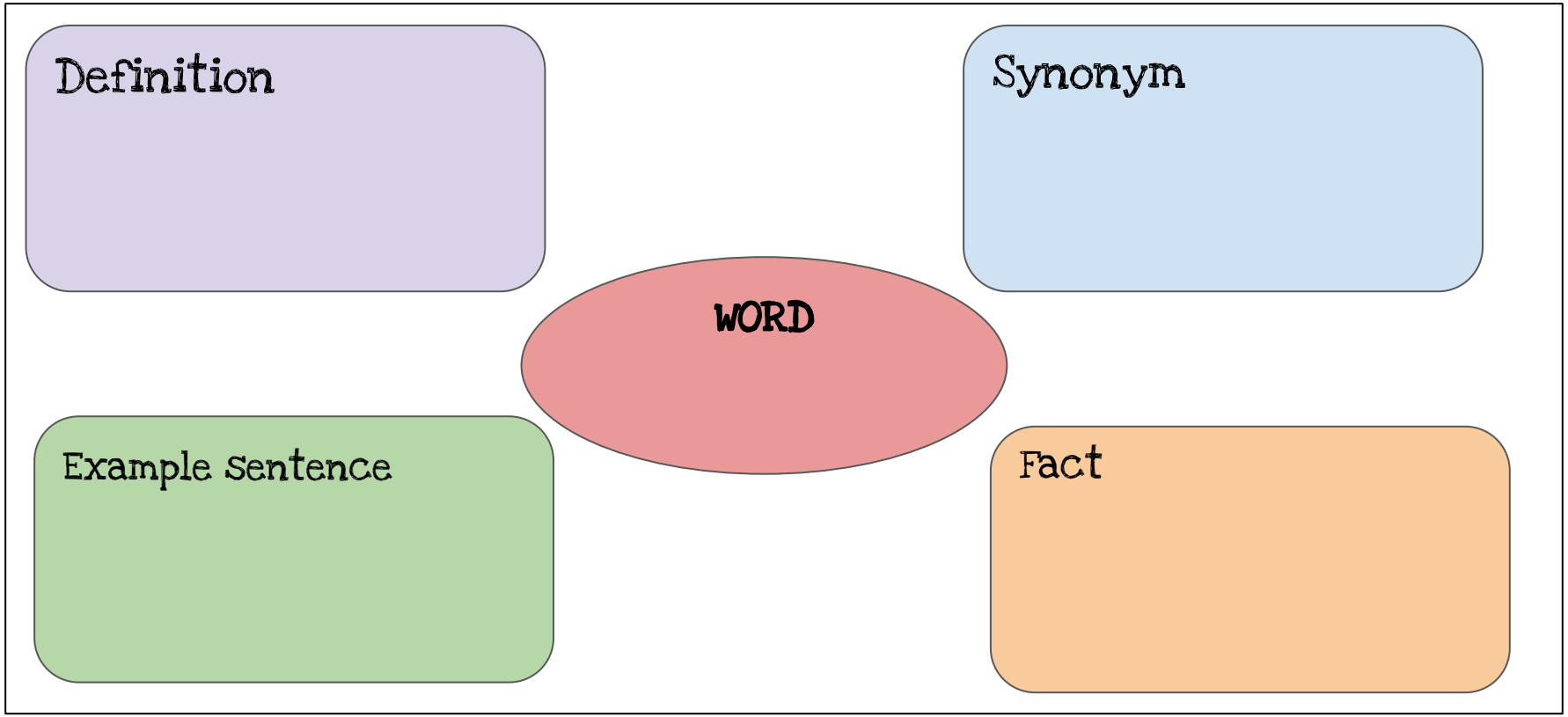
Spelling Test Year 1 & Rec (in Summer term)



Spelling Test Year 2 & 3



Spelling Test - Year 4,5,6.



How can you support your child at home?

- They will have a list of 2 (FP) or 5(KS2) words sent home to learn



- Practice each placemat task for each word

- In school your child will be asked to complete the placemat on 1 word from the list (chosen at random on the day of the test!)

Achievement

Your child will receive 1 dojo per correct answer.

The first list of 2/5 words will be given to your child in the week of 13th March ready for their normal test the week of 20th March.



Any Questions?

