

Instructions

Literal vs. Figurative Meanings of V+Obj Events

Judge about the literal vs. figurative meaning of a given event

You will be given a two-word event such as "see bird" or "grasp meaning".

Tasks:

1. Decide whether the event description is clearly based on the meanings of the two words. For example, **the event "see bird" is literally describing the event of seeing a bird.** In contrast, **the event "grasp meaning" does not describe someone literally grasping a meaning: the event meaning is figurative,** rather than literal.

Together with your decision regarding whether an event is literal or figurative, we also ask you:

2. Provide an example sentence including the two-word event, e.g. "see bird" -> *I saw a bird near the lake today.* or for "grasp meaning" -> *She quickly grasped the mathematical problem.*

Decision for ⟨Event⟩:

- literal
- figurative

Example Sentence for ⟨Event⟩: