Main Purpose

To make a judgment or determination by following a detailed structure of steps.

Thinking Skills targeted

alternative-seeking / analyzing / brainstorming / decision-making / evaluating / inquiring / investigating / priority-setting

How to use

Reach a decision by examining:

- Need--a requirement, duty, or obligation
- Alternatives--a choice limited to one of two or more possibilities
- Consequences--positive and negative effects, results, or outcomes of something

Language Implications

Consider the language implications of this graphic organizer and identify the specific structure(s) you want to target. Design a language task that will require students to further their language use. The language implications for this particular graphic organizer will vary, depending upon the activity designed, and may include:

- past tense
- present tense
- because clauses
- descriptive and comparative adjectives
- negatives
- terms for comparison/contrast conditionals (if/then clauses)





