## Softballs vs. Baseballs

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Describe how each ball will function as a softball. Think about the distance and bounce-ability of each ball type.

Tennis ball:
answer here

## Golf ball:

answer here

## Baseball:

answer here

## Ping Pong ball:

answer here

Using the data collected, identify properties and materials support a softball's function.

|  | Size/Shape | Materials | Weight | Texture | Other <br> Features |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tennis ball | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here |
| Golf ball | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here |
| Baseball | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here |
| Softball | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here |
| Ping Pong ball | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here | answer here |

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Using the data collected, pick one other ball and fill in the Venn diagram comparing and contrasting the ball's properties.


Using the data collected, what properties (traits) and materials support a softball's function (purpose)?

| The function of a softball is: | One property that I observe that supports <br> a softball's function is: |
| :--- | :--- |
| answer here | answer here |

## Extend only:

Hit each ball five (5) times: tennis, golf, baseball, softball, and ping pong. How does each ball function differently when hit? Use descriptive words and details to compare and contrast.
answer here

