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Classifying is putting things into categories.

You classify when you

- decide what genre a story belongs to
- separate your activities into categories, such as play, work, and study
- organize your note cards into categories in preparation for writing a report
- list animals according to their native habitats

In what other situations might you use the skill of classifying?

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Cluster Question: What are some types of heroes?

Part A Brainstorming

Directions: To identify various types of heroes, first brainstorm
a list of heroes on the lines provided. Review your list and add
examples of other possible heroes. (For example, even though
you don't consider Batman a hero, your little brother might.)

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Part B Categorizing

Directions: Look for similarities among the heroes on your list. Try arranging them in several different groups such as *imaginary heroes* or *rescuers* on the web on the next screen. Decide on four or five categories that include all the people on your list. Give each category a name. Some heroes might be in more than one category. Or a group such as *imaginary heroes* might include comic book superheroes as well as heroes of myth and legend.

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