

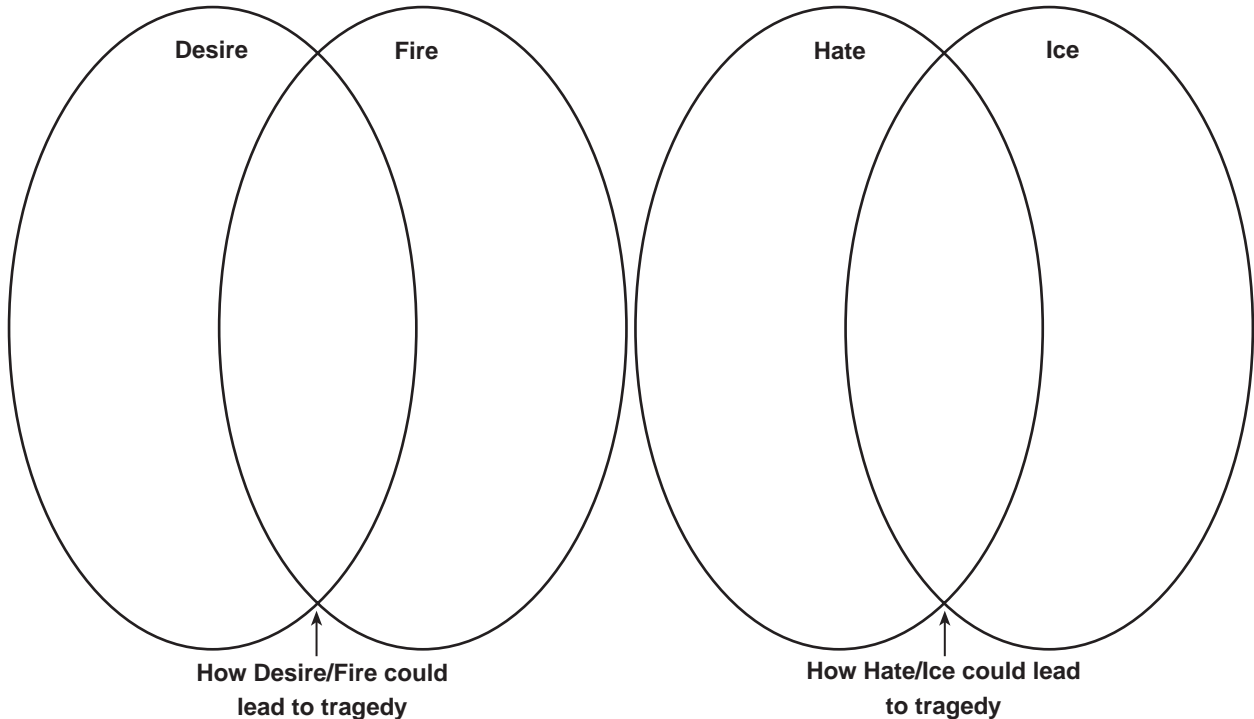
Graphic Organizer for Active Reading

Fire and Ice Robert Frost

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Whose Fault Is It?

In "Fire and Ice," Robert Frost explores two possible ways the world might end—in fire or in ice. Frost uses metaphors to create vivid images of these two endings, comparing desire to fire and hate to ice. What do desire and fire have in common, and what do hate and ice have in common? Using words, symbols, or sketches, explore your ideas about these metaphors in the diagrams below. In the overlapping sections of each diagram, explore how the elements and emotions evoked in each metaphor could lead to the type of tragedy that Frost imagines.



After You Read

1. Explain why you completed the diagrams as you did.

2. Why do you think Frost uses these particular metaphors to describe how the world might end?

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