- membership
 - o selection is given
 - o membership is negotiable
- access criteria
 - o specific "skills" a requirement
 - o skill-oriented
 - o generally open
- temporal aspects / duration
 - o lifelong vs. "maturational" vs. self-determined
 - o permanent vs. intermittent, sporadic
- spatial aspects
 - o tied to a specific space
 - o spatially independent
- exclusive 1 (won't allow other *similar* community membership)
- exclusive 2 (membership "restricted")
- cost-benefit balance
 - o socially/economically beneficial to members
 - o socially/economically detrimental to members
 - o access to power
 - o exclusion from power
- goal-oriented / what goals?
 - o goal-oriented for the individual
 - o goal-oriented for the community
- language
 - o language-determined
 - o language-involved
 - o language-independent
- semiotics tied to the community
 - o salient outward signs and appearance
 - o no visible outward signs