

■ **Table 8.2: Basic-Level Categories With Related Superordinate and Subordinate Categories**

Superordinate Category	Basic-Level Categories	Subordinate Categories
Musical instrument	Guitar	Classical guitar Folk guitar
	Piano	Grand piano Upright piano
	Drum	Bass drum Kettle drum
Fruit	Apple	Delicious apple McIntosh apple
	Peach	Cling peach Freestone peach
	Grapes	Concord grapes Green seedless grapes
Tool	Hammer	Claw hammer Ball-peen hammer
	Handsaw	Hack handsaw Cross-cutting handsaw
	Screwdriver	Phillips screwdriver Regular screwdriver
Clothing	Pants	Levi's Double-knit pants
	Socks	Knee socks Ankle socks
	Shirt	Dress shirt Knit shirt
Furniture	Table	Kitchen table Dining room table
	Lamp	Floor lamp Desk lamp
	Chairs	Kitchen chair Living room chair
Vehicle	Car	Sports car Four-door sedan
	Bus	City bus Cross-country bus
	Truck	Pickup truck Tractor-trailer truck

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