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a. a pair of complementaries

--> male/female

b. a pair of relational opposites

--> solid/gas; male/female

c. a pair of homophones

--> two/too; past/passed

d. a pair of gradable opposites

--> shiny/dull

e. two members of a set of multiple complementaries

--> solid/gas, solid/liquid, solid/fragile, solid/floral

(not sure how multiple complementaries is defined in your textbook)

The following link may be helpful to you:

<http://pandora.cii.wvu.edu/vajda/ling201/test3materials/semanticsHANDOUT.htm>