

Compare/Contrast Template

Same/Similar

Differences

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Explanation paragraph (3-5 sentences, use sentence starters/format on the right if needed)

Compare and Contrast

Start with how things are the same or similar.	The _____ and the _____ are similar because they both _____. In addition, they _____.
Add more as needed.	...
Explain how they are different. You can compare the same property or characteristic in the same sentence. Use <i>and</i> , <i>but</i> , or <i>whereas</i> to set up the contrast.	They are different because the _____, but the _____. Also, the _____, whereas _____.
Add more as needed.	...

Remember to ask, "Will it be clear to the reader what I mean when I use pronouns such as *they* and *it*? If not, how can I edit the sentence to make it clearer?"