BLANK OUTLINE TEMPLATES

📄 **1. Point-by-Point Compare and Contrast Essay Outline (Blank Template)**

Essay Title: _____

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Hook / Attention Grabber

→ _____

B. Background Information (2–4 sentences)

→ _____

C. Thesis Statement (including comparison points)

→ _____

II. BODY PARAGRAPH 1 – CRITERION 1: _____

A. Topic Sentence

→ _____

B. Subject A

• Main point: _____

• Evidence: _____

• Analysis: _____

C. Transition Phrase

→ _____

D. Subject B

• Main point: _____

• Evidence: _____

• Analysis: _____

E. Explicit Comparison

→ _____

F. Transition to next paragraph

→ _____

III. BODY PARAGRAPH 2 – CRITERION 2: _____

(repeat same structure as above)

IV. BODY PARAGRAPH 3 – CRITERION 3: _____

(repeat same structure as above)

V. CONCLUSION

A. Restated Thesis

→ _____

B. Summary of Main Comparisons

→ _____

C. Broader Implications

→ _____

D. Final Insight / Closing Thought

→ _____

📄 2. Block Method Compare and Contrast Outline (Blank Template)

Essay Title: _____

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Hook

→ _____

B. Background Information

→ _____

C. Thesis Statement

→ _____

II. SUBJECT A – COMPLETE ANALYSIS

Criterion 1:
• Main point: _____
• Evidence: _____
• Analysis: _____

Criterion 2:
• Main point: _____
• Evidence: _____
• Analysis: _____

Criterion 3:
• Main point: _____
• Evidence: _____
• Analysis: _____

Transition to Subject B:
→ _____

III. SUBJECT B – COMPLETE ANALYSIS

Criterion 1:
• Main point: _____
• Evidence: _____
• Analysis: _____
• Comparison to A: _____

Criterion 2:
• Main point: _____
• Evidence: _____
• Analysis: _____
• Comparison to A: _____

Criterion 3:
• Main point: _____
• Evidence: _____
• Analysis: _____
• Comparison to A: _____

IV. CONCLUSION

A. Restated Thesis
→ _____

B. Summary of Differences and Similarities
→ _____

C. Broader Impact / Importance
→ _____

D. Final Thought
→ _____

📘 **3. Middle School Simplified Compare & Contrast Template**

My Topic: _____ **vs.** _____

Introduction

• Hook: _____
• What my topics are: _____
• My main idea: _____

Body Paragraph 1 — How they are similar

Topic: _____

Subject A: _____
Subject B: _____

Example: _____

Body Paragraph 2 — How they are different

Topic: _____

Subject A: _____
Subject B: _____

Example: _____

Conclusion

• What I learned: _____
• Which one I like best (optional): _____

🎓 **4. College-Level Advanced Compare and Contrast Template**

Research Topic: _____

Method: ☐ Point-by-Point ☐ Block Method

I. Introduction

Hook / Statistic / Quotation:
→ _____

Context / Background:
→ _____

Advanced Thesis (with 3 criteria):
→ Although _____ and _____ share _____, they differ in _____, _____, and _____, revealing _____.

II. Criterion 1: _____

Subject A
• Theory/Concept: _____
• Academic Source: _____
• Evidence/Quote: _____
• Analysis: _____

Subject B
• Theory/Concept: _____
• Academic Source: _____
• Evidence/Quote: _____
• Analysis: _____

Comparison Insight: _____

III. Criterion 2: _____

(repeat same format)

IV. Criterion 3: _____

(repeat same format)

V. Conclusion

• Restated Thesis (refined)
• Synthesis
• Global significance
• Final assertion