

Thesis Statement Worksheet for Compare and Contrast Essay

Step 1: Identify Your Two Subjects

- Subject A:

- Subject B:

Step 2: Determine the Purpose of Comparison

- Are you focusing on similarities, differences, or both?

- What insight or argument will your comparison reveal?

Step 3: List Key Points of Comparison

- Point 1:

- Point 2:

- Point 3:

Step 4: Draft Your Thesis Formula

Use one of these structures:

- "Although ___ and ___ share similarities, they differ in ___, ___, and ___."

- "While both ___ and ___ differ in ___, their similarities in ___ reveal ___."

- "___ and ___ demonstrate key similarities in ___ but contrast sharply in ___."

Step 5: Write Your Thesis Statement

Final Thesis:

Checklist:

- Does it clearly compare two subjects?

- Does it show your position or insight?
- Is it specific and focused?
- Does it preview your main points?