

## Compare and Contrast Essay Template

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*Tell me what  
you're going  
to tell me.*

### **Introduction:**

General statement about topic

State title, author and general ideas of what is being compared

#### **Thesis:**

Restate the topic and make your claims

-generally states how similar and different the articles/ stories are

-states the specific similarities and differences

### **Idea #1:**

**Topic sentence:** Introduces the first similarity or difference

**Examples:** From both text that show the similarity or difference

**Explanation:** Make the comparison clear

**Concluding sentence:** Restates the idea discussed

### **Idea #2:**

**Topic sentence:** Introduces the second similarity or difference

**Examples:** From both text that show the similarity or difference

**Explanation:** Make the comparison clear

**Concluding sentence:** Restates the idea discussed

*Tell me.*

*Tell me what  
you told me.*

**Idea #3:**

**Topic sentence:** Introduces the third similarity or difference

**Examples:** From both text that show the similarity or difference

**Explanation:** Make the comparison clear

**Concluding sentence:** Restates the idea discussed

**Conclusion:**



Restate thesis

Final thoughts

Connect to broader concepts

