

## Compare/Contrast Paragraph/Paper Assignment and Rubric

1. Choose an element from each source to either compare/contrast.
2. Complete the graphic organizer - attached
3. Develop thesis statement that is unique to your paper
4. Find quotes from each primary and secondary source that supports thesis statement
4. Write paper/paragraph

Below is the rubric for the comparison/contrast assignment. Please read carefully.

### Rubric – Text Comparison/Contrast Paragraph(s)

#### Primary and secondary sources

Annotations complete for primary and secondary sources 20\_\_\_\_\_

Important points of secondary source noted  
(detailed, good notes, complete  
Shows sources were thoroughly read)

#### Compare/Contrast Paragraph

**Block or point by point** 25\_\_\_\_\_

#### Topic sentence

States what is being compared/contrasted  
Includes titles and authors  
Transitions into body of paragraph

#### Supporting sentences

Make and explain point about each subject/text  
Includes quotes from text and in-text citations  
Quotes are introduced and blended  
Be sure to include both primary and secondary sources  
Transitions in and between paragraphs

#### Conclusion sentence

Provides closure – topic sentence restated/rearranged  
Brings paragraph full circle

**Grammar and punctuation** 10\_\_\_\_\_

**Works Cited** 15\_\_\_\_\_

**MLA Style** 10\_\_\_\_\_

**Graphic organizer** 10\_\_\_\_\_

**Total possible** 90\_\_\_\_\_