

Genre Language Patterns

Compare/Contrast Essay Sample Frames

Emerging/Enhancing
The thesis statement clearly identifies the subjects to be compared.
<p>_____ and _____ are [similar, the same, alike].</p> <p>_____ and _____ are [similar, the same, alike] because _____.</p> <p>_____ and _____ are [similar, the same, alike] because they both _____.</p>
The writer clearly communicates how the subjects are alike.
<p>_____ and _____ both have _____.</p> <p>Both _____ and _____ are _____.</p> <p>_____ is [like, similar to] _____ because _____.</p> <p>_____ and _____ have _____ in common.</p> <p>_____ is _____. [Similarly, In the same way, Likewise,] _____ is _____.</p> <p>_____ is as _____ as _____.</p>
The writer clearly communicates how the subjects are different.
<p>_____ and _____ are different because _____.</p> <p>_____ is [unlike, different than] _____ because _____.</p> <p>_____ is not as _____ as _____.</p> <p>_____ is [more, less] _____ than _____.</p> <p>_____ is [bigger, smaller, etc.] than _____.</p> <p>_____ is _____; however, _____ is _____.</p> <p>_____ is _____, but _____ is _____.</p> <p>Although _____ [verb] _____, _____ [verb] _____.</p> <p>In contrast to _____, _____ is _____.</p>