

PP & CR Compare/Contrast Essay Grading Rubric (checklist)

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Introduction (15 pts.)	Introduction must be <u>5</u> sentences minimum and include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> General attention grabber <input type="checkbox"/> Background info/theme or implication <input type="checkbox"/> Story titles and full name of authors <input type="checkbox"/> Quality thesis statement (final sentence)
Conclusion (15 pts.)	Conclusion must be <u>5</u> sentences minimum and include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Revisit but not directly repeat the thesis (first sentence) <input type="checkbox"/> Extend the essay's ideas or reflect on the story's theme/implication <input type="checkbox"/> Final clincher that makes the essay feel finished. (Reflect attention grabber?)
Body Paragraphs (30 pts.)	<u>Each</u> body paragraph (3 total) must follow this structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Topic sentence which mentions the common aspect and directly relates to thesis <input type="checkbox"/> Assertion #1 (Context for 1st subject and aspect) <input type="checkbox"/> Proof #1 (well-chosen, WELL BLENDED quote, proves point) <input type="checkbox"/> Commentary #1 (tie quote to thesis) <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate comparative transition wording <input type="checkbox"/> Assertion #2 (Context for 2nd subject, same aspect) <input type="checkbox"/> Proof (well-chosen, WELL BLENDED quote, proves point) <input type="checkbox"/> Commentary #2 (tie quote to thesis) <input type="checkbox"/> Clincher sentence
Word Usage & Readability (20 pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Literary present tense <input type="checkbox"/> No 1st & 2nd person pronouns, no contractions <input type="checkbox"/> Strong wording throughout (weak verbs & adverbs avoided, variety of sentence openers) <input type="checkbox"/> Awkward, vague, repetitive wording avoided <input type="checkbox"/> Author referred to by last name only <i>except</i> in intro paragraph <input type="checkbox"/> All facts within paragraph relate to topic sentence <input type="checkbox"/> Thesis statement proven
Grammar/Punctuation & mechanics (20 pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Proper punctuation, capitalization, spelling throughout <input type="checkbox"/> Proper use of grammar (Watch out for incomplete sentences!) <input type="checkbox"/> Properly cited quotes. "Quote" (page#). <input type="checkbox"/> 1 ½ pages (5 paragraphs) <input type="checkbox"/> Proper MLA formatting throughout <input type="checkbox"/> Final submission includes all previously graded drafts stapled to the back <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted to Tii by 9 am on due date (late submission = late penalty) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent signature on Grading rubric stapled to paper copy (submitted in class on due date)

Tutor Comments:

Total score:

