

UNIT 5: ALTERNATIVE FUEL

COMPARE & CONTRAST

COMPARE

To look for similarities and differences

SIGNAL WORDS :

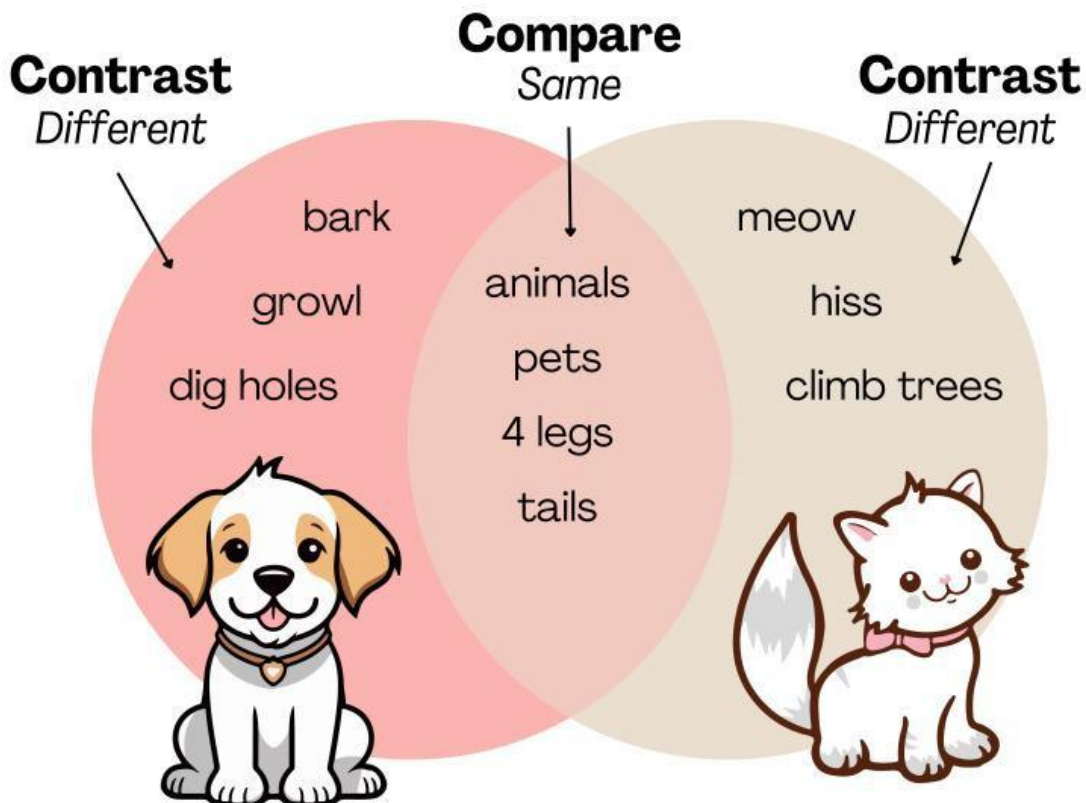
- similarly
- likewise
- both
- each
- alike
- also
- and
- just as ... so
- comparatively
- can be compared
- same

CONTRAST

To just look for differences

SIGNAL WORDS :

- however
- but
- in contrast
- instead
- on the contrary
- on the other hand
- conversely
- each whereas
- neither...nor
- either....or
- then now
- - er (forms of adjectives) than
- still
- yet
- nevertheless
- even though
- although, though
- despite
- different from, than
- whereas
- While
- more, less than
- one ... the other
- some ... other



Compare and Contrast Texts



Europe's Warm Winter

Winter in Northern Europe is usually quite cold. Temperatures are usually around freezing or below. When the weather is this cold, the trees are bare, rivers like the Danube freeze, and birds fly south for the winter. This winter, however, has been very different. Temperatures in some cities in Northern Europe are between 55 and 60 degrees. In contrast with a more normal winter, trees are flowering, rivers are still flowing, and birds are staying put. Although the warm weather limits some activities like ice skating, many Europeans are still able to enjoy some traditional winter activities like feasting, visiting family and friends, and enjoying the outdoors.



1. What signal words indicate that this might be a compare-and contrast text?

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2. What compare-and-contrast pattern does this article follow? (first item completely described before the second item is completely described; first attribute of first and second item described before second attribute and so on)

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3. What items are being compared and contrasted?

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4. What attributes are used to compare and contrast the items?

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5. How are the items alike (similar)?

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6. How are the items not alike (different)?

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Normal winter

This year winter

