Compare and Contrast – understand the terms and vocabulary

Compare – means to note the similarity or dissimilarity between

1. **to point out as similar, liken**

Examples:
She <u>compared</u> the activity of ants to the behaviour of humans.

She became <u>as</u> white <u>as</u> a sheet.

He is <u>like</u> a mouse in school but a lion at home.

2. **to examine for similarity or differences:**
Examples:
Before buying <u>compare</u> the two bicycles.
Please do not compare me with my friend. We are two very different people.

Contrast - **difference between two objects, people, or places**

Examples:

1. Owls are birds <u>but</u> bats are mammals.
2. <u>Unlike</u> humans, ants behave in an orderly manner!
3. He likes to drive. <u>However</u>, he is not a good driver.
4. Mammals give birth to live ones <u>while</u> birds lay eggs.

Compare and contrast: In general use, such as in writing a "compare/contrast"

compare means "find the similarities" and **contrast** means "find the differences."

***If a question asks you to compare, please write both he similarities and differences to be on the safe side. ***

Drag and drop the correct vocabulary in the appropriate column.

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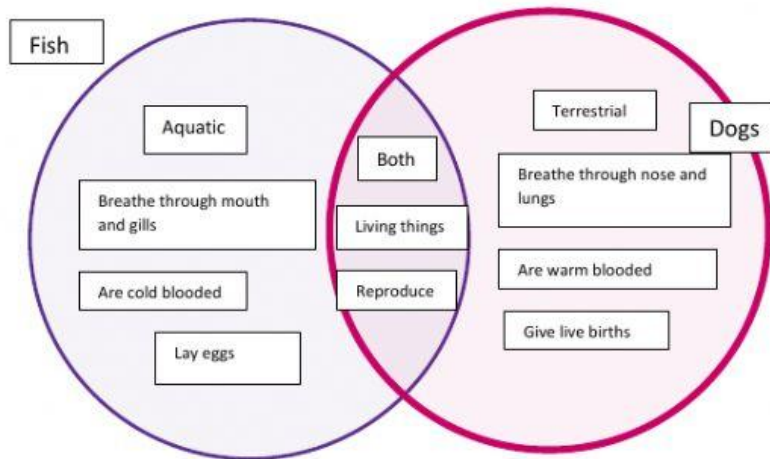| , while	Both	as well as	, but
similar	yet	alike	, whereas

Study the Venn diagram given. Fill in the blanks based on your understanding of the diagram.

Fish				Dogs

Fish

Aquatic

Breathe through mouth and gills

Are cold blooded

Lay eggs

Both

Living things

Reproduce

Terrestrial

Dogs

Breathe through nose and lungs

Are warm blooded

Give live births

1. _____ fish and dogs are living things.

2. Fish _____ dogs reproduce.

3. Fish use gills to breathe, _____ dogs use lungs to breathe.

4. Fish are cold blooded animals, _____ dogs are warm blooded.

5. Most fish reproduce through eggs. _____, dogs give birth to live ones.

6. Fish and dogs are _____ in that both are vertebrates, that is, both have backbones.