

contrast

verb

▶ Say it: con • trast

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Write it: _____

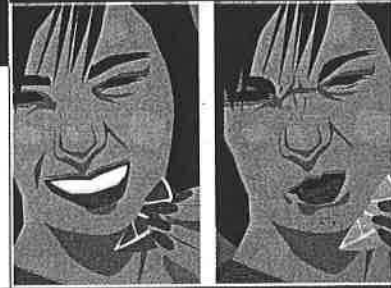
Academic Vocabulary Toolkit

Meaning

to show how two things are different

Example

You can **contrast** oranges and lemons by saying that oranges are _____ and lemons are _____.



Forms

Present:
I/You/We/They contrast
He/She/It contrasts
Past: contrasted

Family

- **Noun:** contrast
- **Adjective:** contrasting

Word Partners

- compare and _____ I am going to **compare and contrast** ice cream and frozen yogurt for my health class essay.

Verbal Practice

Talk about It Read each sentence and think about how you would complete it.

Discuss your idea with your partner using the sentence frame.

Listen carefully to your partner's and classmates' ideas.

Write your favorite idea in the blank.

- 1 Teachers often ask students to compare and **contrast** two different _____ in a story.
- 2 If you **contrasted** the typical school day of a kindergartener with someone in high school, one major difference would be that _____

Writing Practice

Collaborate Work with your partner to complete the sentence using the correct form of **contrast** and appropriate content.

If you _____ life in the United States with life in _____, you might say that in the U.S. people tend to _____ more.

Your Turn Work **Independently** to complete the sentence using the correct form of **contrast** and appropriate content.

In my last English paper, I _____ the two characters _____ and _____.

Be an Academic Author Work **Independently** to write two sentences. In your first sentence, use **contrast** in the *simple past tense*. In your second sentence, use **contrast** with the word partner *compare and contrast*.

① _____

 ② _____

grammar tip

To make the simple past tense of regular verbs, add **-ed** or **-d**.

She **contrasted** two poems for her essay.
 He **changed** his answer.

Write an Academic Paragraph Complete the paragraph using the correct form of **contrast** and original content.

Compare and _____ ① papers are common assignments in school. In these papers, students describe the similarities and _____ ② between two things. Students might contrast two places, such as Mexico and _____ ③, two people, such as President Obama and _____ ④, or even two time periods. For example, in a history class, a teacher may ask students to _____ ⑤ life in a different century with life in the present. When writing these papers, it's a good idea to choose two things that have a number of attributes in common but also many different _____ ⑥ as well. For example, bus travel and air travel can be compared and _____ ⑦ because they are both methods of transportation, though one is much faster than the other.