

Compare and Contrast Student Activity Sheet

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When you **compare**, you show how things are similar to each other; when you **contrast**, you show how things are different. Comparing and contrasting will help you clarify the relationships between people, places, and things that you read about in a work.

Directions: Choose two important characters in the book that you are reading, and answer the following questions:

1. How are the two characters similar? Give examples.

2. How do these similarities help you understand the relationship between the two characters?

3. How are the two characters different? Give examples.

4. How do these differences help you understand the relationship between the two characters?

5. How does the relationship between the two characters give you insight into the work as a whole? Does this relationship bring to mind any themes or important ideas? Which ones?