

5 Paragraph Compare and Contrast Essay Outline

*Tell me what
you're going
to tell me.*

Introduction:



General statement about topic

State title, author and general ideas of what is being compared

Thesis:

Restate the topic and make your claims

-generally states how similar and different the articles/ stories are

-states the specific similarities and differences

Idea #1:

Topic sentence: Introduces the first similarity or difference

Examples: From both text that show the similarity or difference

Explanation: Make the comparison clear

Concluding sentence: Restates the idea discussed

Tell me.

Idea #2:

Topic sentence: Introduces the second similarity or difference

Examples: From both text that show the similarity or difference

Explanation: Make the comparison clear

Concluding sentence: Restates the idea discussed

Idea #3:

Topic sentence: Introduces the third similarity or difference

Examples: From both text that show the similarity or difference

Explanation: Make the comparison clear

Concluding sentence: Restates the idea discussed

*Tell me what
you told me.*

Conclusion:



Restate thesis

Final thoughts

Connect to broader concepts