

Compare/Contrast Paper Rubric

Name: _____

CATEGORY	12	8	4	1
Introduction		The introduction excellently introduces the novel/film and the topics.	The introduction introduces the novel/film and the topics.	The introduction somewhat introduces the novel/film and the topics.
Textual evidence		The paper includes textual evidence that is strong and thoroughly connected to the topics.	The paper includes textual evidence that is average and is somewhat connected to the topics.	The paper includes textual evidence that is weak and poorly connected to the topics.
Compare/Contrast	The paper compares and contrasts items clearly. The paper points to specific examples to illustrate their points. The paper includes only the info relevant to the paper	The paper compares and contrasts items. The paper points to examples to illustrate their points. The paper includes info relevant to the paper	The paper weakly compares and contrasts items. The paper uses generalities to illustrate their points. The paper includes extra info not relevant to the paper.	The paper poorly compares and contrasts items. The paper uses weak examples to illustrate their points. The paper extra info distracts from the paper.
Thesis		The paper has a strong thesis statement that effectively gives a preview of the paper.	The paper has a thesis statement that gives a preview of the paper.	The paper has a weak thesis statement that somewhat gives a preview of the paper.
Transitions	The paper moves smoothly from one idea to the next. The paper uses comparison and contrast transition words to show relationships between ideas.	The paper moves from one idea to the next, but is slightly jumpy. The paper uses comparison and contrast transition words to show relationships between ideas.	Some transitions work well; but connections between other ideas are fuzzy.	The transitions between ideas are unclear or nonexistent.
Spelling and Grammar			There are minimal errors.	There are errors, but they do not distract from the paper.
Conclusion		Paper has a strong conclusion that doesn't introduce any new information and effectively wraps up the paper.	Paper has a conclusion that doesn't introduce any new information and wraps up the paper.	Paper has a weak conclusion, it introduces new information and/or it weakly wraps up the paper.

Total points: _____ / 60

- Rough draft complete 11/9 (-5% from total if incomplete)
- Peer reviews 11/11 (-5% from total if incomplete)