

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS RUBRIC
COMPARE AND CONTRAST ESSAY

GRADING MATRIX:

CLEAR BUT BRIEF OUTLINE- Phrases or bullets (graphic organizer) **5 pts**
Venn diagram is best

THESIS PARAGRAPH- States and summarizes minimum 3 total major comparisons

First paragraph, with time period or dates included
Makes direct, relevant, valid comparisons
Differences AND similarities included
Does NOT just restate the question **15pts**

BODY OF ESSAY:

CLEAR, LOGICAL, HISTORICALLY ACCURATE EXPLANATION and ANALYSIS of minimum of 3 comparisons.

Explains WHY, not just what **15pts**

THESIS SUPPORTED WITH MINIMUM OF 6 SPECIFIC HISTORICAL EVIDENCE EVENTS.

People, patterns, processes, technology, interactions, data, etc.
At least 2 pieces of evidence for each similarity and difference **10pts**

WRITING

Spelling, capitalization, punctuation
Sentence and paragraph structure
Clear, concise writing style (avoid wordiness)
NEAT enough to read easily **5pts**

TOTAL 50 PTS