

Guidelines for Revising the First Draft of a Compare/Contrast Essay

- * Choose one group member to be the scribe and write the revised paragraphs.
- * Read your paragraph out loud.
- * Listen for repetitions that you need to repair.
- * Make content adjustments using the focus statement.
- * Vary sentence openings using prepositional phrases.
- * Add specific historical information, such as dates and details, to make your points believable.
- * Combine sentences.
- * Use compare/contrast words to clarify the comparisons.
- * Reread your paragraph out loud again and listen for content and sentence fluency.
- * Check to make sure your ideas relate to the focus statement.