**Forty Topic Suggestions: Comparison and Contrast**

The 40 topic suggestions listed here are offered as starting points to help you discover some fresh ideas on your own.

1. Two stages of a person's life
2. Two places you have visited
3. Two perspectives on the same place: past and present
4. Two perspectives on the same place: morning and night
5. Two fast-food restaurants
6. An online class compared to a traditional class
7. The Toyota Camry hybrid and the Camry sedan
8. Two candidates competing for public office
9. Two pets in the same household
10. The rules set for you as a child and the rules you have set (or plan to set) for your own children
11. Two professional athletes
12. Two views of your parents: before and after you left home
13. Your experiences before and after giving up a bad habit
14. Two neighborhoods
15. Two vampires
16. Two ways to break a bad habit
17. A real vacation and a dream vacation
18. Two hosts of late-night talk shows
19. A good boss and a bad boss
20. Bulimia and anorexia
21. Two video games
22. Two classes in the same subject: one in high school and the other in college
23. The car you own and the car you dream of owning
24. Two types of exercise
25. Two ways of studying for an exam
26. Two sports fans
27. Two ways of losing weight: one healthy, the other dangerous
28. Microsoft’s Zune and Apple's iPod
29. Your family home and the house of your dreams
30. Harry Potter--on the page and on the screen
31. Two memorable teachers or professors
32. Two workplaces
33. Two coffee shops
34. Infatuation versus love
35. Two close friends
36. Living on campus and living off campus
37. A starting pitcher and a reliever
38. Two ways of downloading music or movies
39. Two versions of the movie *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*
40. An active student and a passive student

**Frivolous Compare and Contrast Essay Topics**

* Compare and Contrast [Halloween](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/halloween/) Night and Prom Night.
* Compare Contrast a Best Friend with an Archenemy.
* Compare and Contrast Vogue Magazine with Elle Magazine.
* Compare Contrast [Music](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/music/) and Books.
* Compare and Contrast Celebrity Influence and Parental Influence.
* Compare Contrast Watching Movies at Theaters and Watching Movies at Home.
* Compare and Contrast Rap Music with Pop Music.
* Compare and Contrast [Soul Music](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/soul-music/) and [Country Music](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/country-music/).
* Compare Contrast Daily Soap [TV Shows](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/tv-shows/) with Reality Shows or [Reality TV](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/reality-tv/).
* Compare and Contrast Tarzan and Mowgli.
* Compare Contrast Bullies and Dictators.

**People and Personalities**

* Compare and Contrast [Adolf Hitler](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/adolf-hitler/) with [Joseph Stalin](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/joseph-stalin/).
* Compare Contrast [Abraham Lincoln](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/abraham-lincoln/) and [Thomas Jefferson](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/thomas-jefferson/).
* Compare and Contrast [Osama Bin Laden](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/osama-bin-laden/) and Adolf Hitler.
* Compare Contrast Joseph Stalin with [Napoleon Bonaparte](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/napoleon-bonaparte/).
* Compare and Contrast [William Shakespeare](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/william-shakespeare/) and William Wordsworth.
* Compare Contrast [Paris Hilton](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/paris-hilton/) and [Lindsay Lohan](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/lindsay-lohan/).
* Compare and Contrast Mom and Dad
* Compare Contrast William Shakespeare and [Charles Dickens](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/charles-dickens/).
* Compare and Contrast Sherlok Holmes and Watson.
* Compare Contrast [Beyonce Knowles](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/beyonce-knowles/) with [Rihanna](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/rihanna/).
* Compare and Contrast Karl Marx and Max Webber.
* Compare Contrast Cleopatra and Octavia.

**Wars, Revolution and Governments**

* Compare and Contrast the Current [Russia](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/russia/) with the Former USSR.
* Compare Contrast [Communism](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/communism/) and [Democracy](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/democracy/).
* Compare and Contrast [Nazism](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/nazism/) and Fascism.
* Compare Contrast Republican Ideals and Democratic Ideals.
* Compare and Contrast the Two World [War](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/wars/) Sides, Allies and Axis.
* Compare Contrast Democracy and Dictatorship.
* Compare and Contrast the Iraq War and the Veitnam War.
* Compare and Contrast the [World War I](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/world-war-one-1/) and the [World War II](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/second-world-war-ii/).

**Time Periods and Eras**

* Compare and Contrast the 18th Century with the 21st Century.
* Compare Contrast the Pop Culture in the 1960s with the Pop Culture in the 1990s.
* Compare and Contrast the Past with the Future.
* Compare and Contrast the Neanderthal Man with the 21st Century Man.
* Compare Contrast Women 100 years ago and Women Today.
* Compare Contrast the Writings of Confucius and Hammurabi's Code of Laws.

**Science and Technology**

* Compare and Contrast [Inventions](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/inventions/) and Discoveries.
* Compare Contrast [Hurricanes](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/hurricanes/) and Blizzards.
* Compare and Contrast Snowfall and Rainfall.
* Compare and Contrast Creationism and Evolutionism.
* Compare and Contrast SRAM and DRAM (Static Random Access Memory vs. Dynamic Random Access Memory).
* Compare and Contrast Mitosis and Meiosis.
* Compare Contrast Nuclear Fusion and Nuclear Fission.

**Flora and Fauna**

* Compare and Contrast Cultivated [Flowers](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/flowers/) with the Non-Cultivated Weeds.
* Compare and Contrast a [Pet Dog](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/pet-dogs/) with a Pet Cat.
* Compare Contrast the African Elephant with the Asiatic [Elephant](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/elephants/).
* Compare and Contrast the [African Lions](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/african-lions/) and the Asian [Tigers](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/tigers/).
* Compare and Contrast Australian Flora and Fauna with the African Flora and Fauna.
* Compare and Contrast [Fruits](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/fruits/) with [Vegetables](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/vegetables/).
* Compare Contrast Evergreen Forests with Coniferous Forests.

**Geography and Topography**

* Compare and Contrast [Volcanoes](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/volcanoes/) and [Earthquakes](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/earthquakes/).
* Compare Contrast the African Continent with the American Continent.
* Compare and Contrast the Mediterranean Weather with the Sub Tropical Climate.
* Compare Contrast Pollution in United States and Pollution in China.
* Compare and Contrast [Germany](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/germany/) and America.
* Compare Contrast [Europe](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/europe/) and Africa.

**Religion and Faith**

* Compare and Contrast Spirit Worship and Idol Worship.
* Compare Contrast the [Bible](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/bible/) and the [Quran](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/koran-holy-quran/).
* Compare and Contrast the Bhagwad Gita and the Quran.
* Compare Contrast [Hinduism](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/hinduism/) and [Islam Religion](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/islam-muslim-religion/).
* Compare and Contrast [Christianity](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/christianity/) and [Judaism](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/judaism/).
* Compare and Contrast [Paganism](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/paganism/) and the Wiccan Faith.
* Compare Contrast [Buddha](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/buddha/) and [Jesus Christ](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/jesus-christ/).
* Compare and Contrast the Gospel of Matthew and the Gospel of Luke.
* Compare Contrast Islam and Christianity.

**Sports and Adventure**

* Compare and Contrast the [Nascar](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/nascar/) and the [Formula One](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/formula-one/).
* Compare Contrast [Venus Williams](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/venus-williams/) and [Serena Williams](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/serena-williams/).
* Compare and Contrast Microsoft Zune and [Apple iPod](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/apple-ipods/).
* Compare Contrast Yahoo Search Engine with [Google Search Engine](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/google-search-engine/).
* Compare and Contrast Cricket and Soccer.
* Compare and Contrast [Baseball](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/baseball/) and Rugby.

**Human Interest and Miscellaneous Topics**

* Compare Contrast Fox News with CNN News.
* Compare and Contrast Country Living and City Living.
* Compare Contrast Physical Beauty with Inner Beauty.
* Compare and Contrast [Natural Beauty](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/natural-beauty/) and Cosmetic Beauty.
* Compare Contrast Being Rich with Being Famous.
* Compare Contrast Online Classes with Traditional Classes.
* Compare and Contrast a Good Boss and a Bad Boss.
* Compare Contrast Hostel Living with Home Living.
* Compare and Contrast Disparity and [Discrimination](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/discrimination/).
* Compare Contrast Reservation Quotas and Equal Opportunity.
* Compare Contrast Males and Females.
* Compare and Contrast [Harry Potter](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/harrypotter/) and Lord of the Rings.
* Compare Contrast Romeo and Juliet with Much Ado About Nothing.
* Compare and Contrast Pride and Prejudice and Sense and Sensibility.
* Compare Contrast Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer.
* Compare and Contrast Friends with Charmed.
* Compare and Contrast [World Bank](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/world-bank/) and World Trade Organization.
* Compare and Contrast Tragedy and [Comedy](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/comedy/).
* Compare and Contrast Cinderella and Snow White.
* Compare Contrast [Ford Motor Company](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/ford-motor-company/) and Chevrolet.
* Compare and Contrast Poetry with Prose.
* Compare and Contrast Victorian Culture and [Gothic Culture](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/gothic-culture/).
* Compare and Contrast Fear and Confusion.
* Compare and Contrast Beowulf and Odysseus.
* Compare Contrast Catholic Schools and [Public Schools](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/public-schools/).
* Compare and Contrast Church Sermons with Campaign Speeches.
* Compare Contrast Acting and Lying.
* Compare and Contrast College and High School.
* Compare and Contrast Classical Economics with Keynesian Economics.
* Compare and Contrast Perception and Sensation.

**Health and Fitness**

* Compare and Contrast [Bulimia Nervosa](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/bulimia-nervosa/) and [Anorexia Nervosa](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/anorexia-nervosa/).
* Compare Contrast the Endocrine Nervous Systems
* Compare Contrast [Yoga](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/yoga/) and [Aerobic Exercises](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/aerobic-exercises/).
* Compare and Contrast [Low Fat Diet](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/low-fat-diet/) and [Low Carb Diet](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/low-carb-diet/).
* Compare and Contrast [High Blood Pressure](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/high-bloodpressure/) and [Low Blood Pressure](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/low-blood-pressure/).
* Compare and Contrast [Acupuncture](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/acupuncture/) and [Acupressure](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/acupressure/).
* Compare and Contrast Allopathy and [Homeopathy](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/homeopathy/).
* Compare Contrast the use of [Condoms](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/condoms/) and [Birth Control Pills](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/birth-control-pills/).
* Compare and Contrast [Drug Abuse](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/drug-abuse/) with [Alcoholism](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/alcoholism/).
* Compare and Contrast [Dyslexia](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/dyslexia/) and [Dementia](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/dementia/).
* Compare Contrast [Herbal Medicine](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/herbal-medicine/) with Allopathic Medicine.
* Compare Contrast [High Fiber Diet](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/high-fiber-diet/) and [High Protein Diet](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/high-protein-diet/).
* Compare and Contrast Dyslexia and [Learning Disabilities](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/learning-disabilities/).
* Compare and Contrast [Cosmetic Surgery](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/cosmetic-surgery/) and [Liposuction](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/liposuction/).
* Compare and Contrast [Physical Therapy](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/physical-therapy/) and [Massage Therapy](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/massage-therapy/).
* Compare and Contrast [Stress](http://www.buzzle.com/articles/stress/) and Anxiety.