

**Comparison text structure** tells how **two** or **more** things are the **same** or **different**.

▶ **Clue words** can help signal information that is the **same** or **different**.

### Frogs and Toads

**Frogs** and **toads** are amphibians. Frogs and toads **both** have **big mouths** and **sticky tongues**. However, frogs and toads have **different legs**. Frogs have **long back legs**. Toads have **short back legs**.

Categories	Frogs	Both	Toads
facial features		big mouths sticky tongues	
limbs	long back legs		short back legs

#### CFU

Which sentence compares two things that are the same? Explain.

- A Both a frog and a toad have wide heads.**
- B Amphibians are cold-blooded animals.**

Which sentence compares two things that are different? Explain.

- A Unlike frogs that have long back legs, toads have short legs.**
- B Amphibians can survive in both land and water.**

In your own words, what does comparison text structure tell?

- 1 Read the categories in the graphic organizer.
- 2 Read the text.
- 3 Identify what is being compared. (write)
- 4 Identify information that is the same or different. (write)

### Bugs

Insects and spiders **both** have an exoskeleton. Insects have three body segments, **whereas** spiders have only two body segments. Insects have six legs, but spiders have eight legs. **Both** spiders and insects have joints<sub>5</sub> in their legs so they can bend them.

Categories		Both	
Type of body			
Body sections			
Limbs			

### Planets in Our Solar System

Venus and Earth are sister planets. Venus and Earth **both** have a diameter of over 7,000 miles. **Similar** to Earth, Venus has volcanoes and mountains. They **both** have gases that surround each planet. **However**, Venus consists of carbon dioxide gases, which make Venus very toxic. Whereas, Earth has nitrogen and oxygen gases.

Categories		Both	
Size			
Landforms			
Atmosphere			

**Skill Closure**

**Soccer and Basketball**

Basketball and soccer are both sports. Like soccer, basketball is played with a round ball. In soccer you kick the ball with your feet, whereas in basketball you use your hands. Soccer is played with 11 people, different from basketball that is played with five.

Categories		Both	
Type of ball			
How are they played?			
Number of players			

**Concept Closure**



**Writing**

Write three sentences that compare types of fruit by seeds, colors, and shapes.

Comparison of seeds

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Comparison of colors

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Comparison of shapes

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**Summary Closure**

What did you learn today about describing comparison text structure?

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**Word Bank**

same  
different  
clue words  
categories  
organize

- 1 Read the categories in the graphic organizer.
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- 4 Identify information that is the same or different. (write)

### Turtles and Tortoises

People sometimes confuse turtles and tortoises. They **both** have hard shells. **However**, a turtle has a flat shell, but a tortoise has a domed shell. **Unlike** tortoises who are mostly land dwelling, many turtles live in the water. Tortoises have short feet with strong bent legs. Turtles have webbed feet like a duck with long claws.

Categories		Both	
<b>Habitat</b>			
<b>Types of limbs</b>			
<b>Shells</b>			



## Listening

**Listen to the text.**

**Select 3 details that compare these popular cakes.** (select all that apply)

- A** These cakes are all sponge cakes.
- B** Cakes are used for celebrations.
- C** These cakes are used to celebrate Three Kings Day.
- D** Cakes are made only from sugar, flour, water, and eggs.
- E** These cakes have a bean or toy hidden inside.
- F** These cakes have a tube in the center.
- G** These cakes are sweet.



## Reading

Select clue words from the word bank to show what is the same or different.

like

also

unlike

but

whereas

Butterflies and moths are insects. Insects are small animals that have six legs, a body that is divided into three parts, and sometimes two pairs of wings. \_\_\_\_\_ butterflies, moths have wings and antennae. Butterflies hold their wings up when they land, \_\_\_\_\_ moths hold their wings flat. The antennae on a butterfly have little balls on the end, \_\_\_\_\_ those on moths do not.

Read the categories. Read the text. Identify what is being compared. Identify information that is the same or different.

### Video Game Systems

Some say there are two different types of video game systems. One type is for sport and exercises, like golf or yoga. This system detects movement without a controller.

Another type is a push-button game system. **Unlike** the athletic system, the player must hold a wireless controller and push buttons to play. These systems offer more action games, **different from** the athletic systems. **Both** video game systems allow online playing of games, music, and movies.

Categories	_____	Both	_____
Controller			
Types of games			
Options			

### Writing

Write two sentences. The first sentence should say what these two pictures have the same. The second sentence should say how these two pictures are different.



guitar

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flute

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