

Comparative Essay Review

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Understanding Themes in Literature

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Answer the following questions based on the lesson about writing a comparative essay.

1. What is the purpose of a thesis statement in a comparative essay?
 - A. To summarize the story
 - B. To make a clear claim about the comparison
 - C. To list characters
2. A strong thesis statement should include both ____ and ____ of the themes being compared.
3. How do themes help us understand stories? Provide an example.

4. Using specific examples from texts is not important when writing a comparative essay.

True False

5. What is one of the key components of essay structure?

- A. A conclusion that summarizes the main points
- B. A long introduction
- C. A list of characters

6. According to Proverbs 24:3-4, a house is built through ____ and established by ____

7. Why is comparing stories helpful in understanding literature? Write a few sentences.

8. The memory verse from 2 Timothy 2:15 encourages us to work diligently in our studies.

True False

9. What should students create to compare themes from two novels?

- A. A summary
- B. A visual map
- C. A character list

10. Using a graphic organizer can help organize ____ when writing a comparative essay.

Answer Key

1. To make a clear claim about the comparison 2. similarities, differences 3. Themes help us see deeper meanings in stories. For example, the theme of friendship can teach us about loyalty and support. It shows us how characters grow together. 4. False 5. A conclusion that summarizes the main points 6. wisdom, understanding 7. Comparing stories helps us notice how different authors express similar themes. It allows us to see how each story offers a unique perspective on the same idea, which deepens our understanding. 8. True 9. A visual map 10. literary evidence