

Recognizing thought relationships: Contrast and comparison

1. CONTRAST

BASIS OF CONTRAST

ITEM 1

ITEM 2

EXPLICIT STRUCTURES: use these expressions to talk about contrasts

MORE/LESS THAN

PREPOSITIONS: as opposed to, in contrast to, unlike

VERBS: contrasts with, differs from

NOUNS: differences, contrasts

ADJECTIVES: different from, dissimilar to

SENTENCE LINKERS:

COORDINATE CONJUNCTIONS: but, and

CONJUNCTIVE ADVERBS: however, in contrast,
on the other hand

SUBORDINATE CONJUNCTIONS: while, whereas

IMPLICIT STRUCTURES: other ways to talk about contrasts

OPPOSITE TERMS: singular/plural; democracy/dictatorship

SEPARATE SENTENCES JOINED WITH SEMI-COLON (;)

SEPARATE PARAGRAPHS: In the Italian system . . .
In the German system . . .

2. COMPARISON

BASIS OF COMPARISON

ITEMS 1 AND 2, DISTINGUISHING SHARED AND UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS

EXPLICIT STRUCTURES: use these expressions to talk about contrasts

AS...AS

PREPOSITIONS: like+

VERBS: resembles

NOUNS: similarities

ADJECTIVES: similar to, both

ADVERBS: too, also

SENTENCE LINKERS:

COORDINATE CONJUNCTIONS (and, and so, and...too, either)

CONJUNCTIVE ADVERBS (similarly, likewise, in the same way)

SUBORDINATE CONJUNCTIONS (while, whereas)

ACTIVITY:

Now read the text again, and identify the comparisons and contrasts. Write a short paragraph using the structures you have just learned.