

Kindergarten

Practice Writing Assignment

Expository Compare and Contrast Practice Writing Assignment

Practice Pre-Assignment Writing:

The school website has the expository compare and contrast writing directions, rubrics, instruction, practice prompts, and web link resources for you to use to prepare for this optional practice writing assignment. To locate these resources, go to http://www.skymountaincs.org/handbook/Curriculum/writing_assignments.html, or talk to your ES.

Directions:

- In this writing assignment, you will hand write (no typing allowed) four compare and contrast sentences about the topic in response to the writing task below.
- After reading the task, take time to plan on a separate piece of paper using memorized graphic organizers, write your essay (double spaced), then proofread and edit.
- To begin gaining pacing experience, students are to complete all of this writing assignment in one continuous sitting.

Scoring:

Your writing will be scored on how well you

- identify the two topics being compared and contrasted
- come up with two things about the two topics that are the same
- come up with two things about the two topics that are different
- dictate and copy or write complete sentences

Writing Task:

Compare and Contrast Sentences

Apples have things about them that are both similar and different from oranges. Write two sentences about how apples and oranges are alike, and two sentences about how they are different.