

Assignment 2: Comparison / Contrast

Full paper DUE: before midnight of Tuesday 02/25, in Turnitin.com.

SUBJECT

Utilize a Comparison and Contrast Pattern analyzing the similarities and differences between: *An Average Reality Television Character and the Average College Student*. Follow the academic paragraph formula outlined to you in class.

OBJECTIVES

1. Use secondary evidence from a database essay to show secondary opinions supporting your views.
Visit **WCJC.edu**: select “**Library**” link > **Databases-Library Proxy Server** >
Enter appropriate fields to access school databases >
Newspaper & Current Topics> **CQ Researcher**, keyword “reality television.”
2. Incorporate **proper signal phrases** when quoting selections from the article.
3. Follow standard MLA guidelines:
 - heading/header • margins • Format ¶s/indent • double space • fonts
4. Create an interesting, intricate, descriptive introduction which clearly shows the focus of your essay and leads the reader into subsequent paragraphs.
5. Be sure each new paragraph includes a strong transitional phrase.
Paragraphs are fully developed with clear purpose. All body paragraphs must have:
 - strong topic sentences outline a general point on the topic
 - at least one quote or paraphrase from secondary evidence
 - use signal phrases *before* you quote; provide in-text notations *after* you quote
 - be decisive in your subjective opinions
 - colloquial language is *not* permitted
 - use five or more sentences following a **deductive** formula (general to specific)
6. Despite the fact it is a persuasion piece, avoid use of first person, singular.
Your evidence is more important than your personal identity.
7. Punctuation and spelling are used correctly.
8. Utilize correct grammar and sentence structures.
9. Works Cited information is provided and set-up correctly.
10. **Essay Length: 500-600 words.**
Keep in mind this essay is more formal than the previous exercises.