***1984* Compare or Contrast Outline**

**As this is a formal essay, do not use first (*I, me, my, mine, we, us, our*) or second person (*you, your, yours*) pronouns in your paper.**

**Essay Prompt:** In *1984,* George Orwell writes his vision of the world’s future. Was he right? Write an essay that compares Orwell’s vision of the world’s future to our reality today.

**Explanation:** You may discuss 3 similarities or 3 differences.

**Required Sources:** *1984* and 2-4 articles

**I. Introduction**

1. **Hook/Lead**—Engage your reader by using a hook technique. Avoid the question or definition approach.
2. **Background**—Provide a brief overview of the novel and the world it depicts.
3. **Bridge—**Smoothly transition from your background to your thesis.
4. **Thesis**—Develop a thesis that answers the prompt and includes the three topics you will be exploring.

**II. Body Paragraph 1 Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (first topic for comparison or contrast listed in your thesis statement)

1. **Topic Sentence----must include the characteristic that is similar or different.**
2. **Text Evidence from *1984***—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION
3. **Commentary:** Discuss Orwell’s prediction for the future and what the detail reveals about his viewpoint.
4. **Text Evidence from one of your articles**—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION. Indicate the author, source title, etc.
5. **Commentary**: Analyze what the detail reveals about the world today. Compare or contrast this detail with *1984*. Address the significance of the similarity or difference. What does it suggest about the world we live in?
6. **Text Evidence from *1984***—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION
7. **Commentary:** Discuss Orwell’s prediction for the future and what the detail reveals about his viewpoint.
8. **Text Evidence from the same article or another article**—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION. Indicate the author, source title, etc.
9. **Commentary:** Analyze what the detail reveals about the world today. Compare or contrast this detail with *1984*. Address the significance of the similarity or difference. What does it suggest about the world we live in?
10. **Concluding sentence**

III. **Body Paragraph 2 Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (second topic for comparison or contrast listed in your thesis statement)

1. **Topic Sentence----add transition----must include the characteristic that is similar or different.**
2. **Text Evidence from *1984***—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION
3. **Commentary:** Discuss Orwell’s prediction for the future and what the detail reveals about his viewpoint.
4. **Text Evidence from one of your articles**—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION. Indicate the author, source title, etc.
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10. **Concluding sentence**

IV. Body Paragraph 3 Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (third topic for comparison or contrast listed in your thesis statement)

1. **Topic Sentence---- add transition-----must include the characteristic that is similar or different.**
2. **Text Evidence from *1984***—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION
3. **Commentary:** Discuss Orwell’s prediction for the future and what the detail reveals about his viewpoint.
4. **Text Evidence from one of your articles**—PRESENT EVIDENCE WITH APPROPRIATE CONTEXT & SIGNAL PHRASE AND INCLUDE A CITATION. Indicate the author, source title, etc.
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10. **Concluding sentence**

V. **Conclusion**

1. Reimagine thesis statement
2. Reflect upon main ideas
3. Close by telling the reader why he/she should care about the information OR ask the reader to consider what the information means to our future as a society.

VI. **Works Cited Page**

1. Use EasyBib to develop a Works Cited page using MLA Formatting
2. This is the final page of your essay