



# **2<sup>nd</sup> semester**

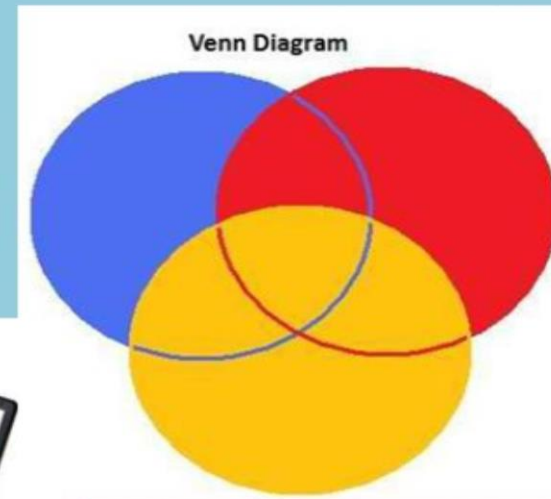
# **Advanced**

# **Lesson 30**

# Topic 30: Identifying similarities and differences in text .Reading

## Identifying Similarities and Differences

- Compare
- Classify
- Metaphors
- Analogies



**Compare**, in relation to reading, refers to the process of identifying the similarities and differences between two things. On the other hand, **Contrast** refers to identifying only the differences between two things.

## Compare and Contrast

**Clue Words:** As you read, look for clue words that can help you identify similarities and differences between two subjects. Below are just a few clue words; add to this list as you find more.

Compare	Contrast
same	different
both	but
alike	On the other hand
similar	Instead of
Compare to	In contrast to



**Directions: Read the paragraphs and answer the questions below.**

Thousands of years ago the Native people of North America had to build houses that fit their life. One kind of house was a tipi. The Plains people lived in tipis. Tipis were easy to put up and take down. In fact, it only took about half an hour to set them up. This was perfect for the Plains people who spent their time hunting and following herds of animals. The Inuit, who lived in the cold Arctic region, spent part of the year living in igloos. Igloos were temporary homes like tipis. However, they were built for the cold winter months, whereas a tipi could be used year round. Both tipis and igloos had one main room that the family lived in and were usually made for a single family. Tipis and igloos were made of very different materials. Igloos were made from blocks of snow stacked on top of each other, while tipis were made from buffalo hide, tree bark, or grass. The shape of tipis and igloos was also different. Tipis were cone-shaped, using three or four poles for support. In contrast, igloos were dome-shaped.

1. Is this paragraph comparing and contrasting two things? Yes No
2. If no, how do you know it is not a compare and contrast paragraph?
3. If yes, what two things are being compared?
4. Circle the key words in the paragraph that show that the author was comparing and contrasting information.

