



Compare and Contrast Current Trends

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Pop Culture
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Introduction

When you think of pop culture, you probably think of what is “trending” online. Students will choose one current trend and research how two different social media news sources report on the same trend.

Students will read a writing prompt, restate the prompt, as well as answer the prompt with supporting details.

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to compare and contrast how different news sources report on the same current trend. They will be able to explain how their perspectives are similar and different.

Materials Needed

- News articles from news sites, newspapers, or social media
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Procedure

1. Pop culture is heavily influenced by social media. Whether or not you notice, you are constantly being influenced by what surrounds you as well as what you read, watch, and listen to.
 2. Compare and contrast how two different social media news sources report on the same trend.
 3. Explain how the news sources' perspectives are similar and different. Be sure to restate the prompt, as well as answer the prompt with supporting details.
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Evaluation

Students will be assessed on how well they followed the guidelines for the writing prompt.