

# Comparing Two Texts on the Same Topic

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## Quick Review

Two texts can be about the same topic. To compare, ask how they are the same. To contrast, ask how they are different.

### PART 1 — READ

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

#### Two Texts About Dogs

Text 1: Dogs as Pets. A dog can be a great pet. Dogs are friendly and love to play. A pet dog needs food, water, and a warm bed. It also needs walks and care. A dog gives love back to its family.

Text 2: Dogs That Work. Some dogs do not stay home as pets. They have jobs to help people. A guide dog helps a person who cannot see. A farm dog helps move sheep. A rescue dog helps find people who are lost.

Both texts are about dogs. Both texts tell that dogs help people in some way. But Text 1 is about pet dogs that live with a family. Text 2 is about working dogs that have important jobs.

### PART 2 — PRACTICE

Read both short texts about dogs. Then answer each question.

1. What is the topic of both texts?
  - A. cats
  - B. dogs
  - C. birds
  - D. fish
2. What is Text 1 mostly about?
  - A. dogs that have jobs
  - B. dogs as pets in a family
  - C. how to train a horse
  - D. dogs that get lost



3. What is Text 2 mostly about?
  - A. dogs that work to help people
  - B. how to feed a pet dog
  - C. the best dog bed
  - D. playing with a puppy
4. What does a pet dog need, according to Text 1?
  - A. a job to do
  - B. food, water, and a warm bed
  - C. a flock of sheep
  - D. a person who cannot see
5. What job does a guide dog do in Text 2?
  - A. It moves sheep on a farm.
  - B. It helps a person who cannot see.
  - C. It plays with children.
  - D. It guards a warm bed.
6. How are the two texts the SAME?
  - A. Both are about dogs that help people in some way.
  - B. Both are about dogs that live on farms.
  - C. Both are about cats.
  - D. Both are about dogs that cannot see.
7. How are the two texts DIFFERENT?
  - A. One is about cats and one is about dogs.
  - B. Text 1 is about pet dogs and Text 2 is about working dogs.
  - C. One is about birds and one is about fish.
  - D. Text 1 is about food and Text 2 is about beds.
8. Both texts are about the same topic.  
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9. Name one way the two texts are alike.

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10. Name one way the two texts are different.

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## Answer Keys

- 1  A  B  C  D
- 2  A  B  C  D
- 3  A  B  C  D
- 4  A  B  C  D
- 5  A  B  C  D

- 6  A  B  C  D
- 7  A  B  C  D
- 8  T  F
- 9
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### Explanations

1. B	Both Text 1 and Text 2 are about dogs.
2. B	Text 1 is about dogs that are pets and live with a family.
3. A	Text 2 is about working dogs that have jobs.
4. B	Text 1 says a pet dog needs food, water, and a warm bed.
5. B	Text 2 says a guide dog helps a person who cannot see.
6. A	Paragraph 3 says both texts tell that dogs help people in some way.
7. B	Text 1 is about pet dogs, while Text 2 is about working dogs.
8. T	Both texts are about dogs, so they share the same topic.
9.	<b>Answer:</b> Both texts are about dogs, and both show that dogs help people. Accept any answer about both being about dogs or dogs helping people.
10.	<b>Answer:</b> Text 1 is about pet dogs at home, but Text 2 is about working dogs with jobs. Accept any answer that contrasts pet dogs with working dogs.



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