

Self-Editing Worksheet 8

Chapter 8: Definition Paragraphs

Writer: _____ Date: _____

Format

My paragraph is in the correct format (centered title, first line indented, margins on both sides, double-spaced). yes no

Content and Organization

My paragraph fits the assignment. I compare or contrast two people, places, ideas, or cultures. yes no

I compare them on _____ points. (*Write a number.*)

My paragraph begins with a topic sentence that tells my reader to look for a comparison or contrast. yes no

My paragraph is organized in one of these patterns:

block pattern point-by-point pattern yes no

I used the following comparison or contrast signals: _____

My paragraph ends with a concluding sentence. yes no

My paragraph has unity. yes no

My paragraph has coherence. yes no

Punctuation, Capitalization, and Spelling

I checked my paragraph for correct punctuation, capitalization, and spelling. yes no

Grammar and Sentence Structure

I varied my sentence structure by writing simple, compound, and complex sentences. yes no

I checked my paragraph for fragments, run-ons, and comma splices. yes no

Personal Grammar Trouble Spots

I checked my paragraph for _____ errors. **Number found and corrected**
(verb tense, article, etc.) _____

I checked my paragraph for _____ errors. _____

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