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Fill-in-the-Blank Essay Form

1. INTRODUCTION

- a. General introductory sentence
- b. Set up the topic by giving background that applies to BOTH X and Y.
- c. Transition to thesis
- c. Thesis (how X is similar OR different than Y)

2. BODY PARAGRAPH

- a. Topic sentence for one point of comparison OR contrast between X and Y.
- b. Example from story about X relevant to this point.
- c. Quote from story X.
- d. Example from story about Y relevant to this point.
- e. Quote from story Y.
- f. Explanation of how quotes prove topic sentence

3. CONCLUSION

- a. Restatement of thesis in an interesting manner (e.g. what can we learn?)
- b. Concluding sentence