



Comparative Modes
Useful Phrases
Leaving Cert 2014



Comparative Study – Useful comparative phrases to create a strong coherent comparison of your texts!

Remember that a comparison can show **similarities as well as differences**.

Similarities:

- Similarly...
- ...in the same way...
- Interestingly the same can be said/ seen in.....
- ...equally so
- They share common features
- As in the other two texts....
- All three texts are....
- This scene/ key moment reminds me of
- This scene/key moment is reminiscent of.....
- ...moreover...
- ...mirrors.....
- A significant similarity between the two texts is....

Differences:

- Quite the reverse is seen in....
- In contrast to....
- On the other hand...
- In comparison to
- Whereas....
- However....
- This differs from....
- In contrast to...
- Unlike....
-in a different manner...
- A significant difference between the two texts...

Always explain these differences, supporting them with reference to key moments in the texts.