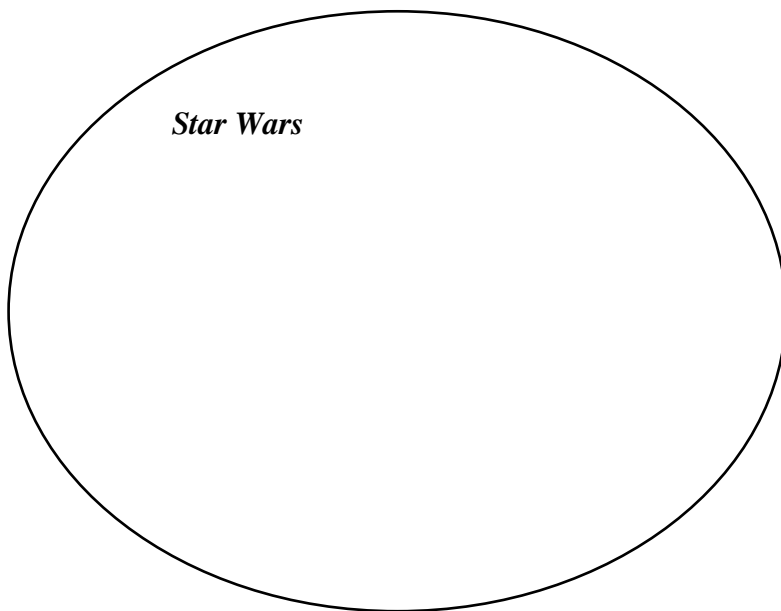


Making a Venn diagram can help you quickly and efficiently compare and contrast two or more ideas or subjects. To make a Venn diagram, simply draw two overlapping circles, one circle for each subject you are comparing. In the central area where they overlap, list the traits the two items have in common. Below is a Venn diagram comparing and contrasting the movies *Star Wars* and *Indiana Jones*.



As you write a compare/contrast essay, consider using the following words to emphasize both your points of comparison and your points of contrast.

Comparing:

Like
Still
Again
Similar to
In like manner
At the same time

Likewise
Also
Similarly
In the same way
Compared to

Contrasting:

Unlike
Compared to
In contrast
Contrasted with
On the contrary
However
Although
On the other hand

Yet
Even though
But
Nevertheless
Conversely
Regardless
Despite