Compare | Contrast

To compare two things means to think of ways that they are alike. To contrast means to think of ways that they are different. Compare and contrast the two passages below.

The Gettysburg Address is a speech that was delivered by Abraham Lincoln on November 19th, 1863, in dedication of the Soldier’s National Cemetery, a cemetery for Union soldiers who were killed in the battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War. It is a very short speech, but probably one of the most famous ever given in American history.

The Gettysburg Address was one of the most important speeches ever given by a U.S. President. Lincoln wrote at least five drafts of this speech that we know of, writing and rewriting it, changing words until it said exactly what he wanted to say. Though famous in U.S. history, scholars actually disagree about which version of the speech was given and exactly where Lincoln delivered it.

SAME

DIFFERENT