

Structures of Contrasts

Useful words and phrases: Unlike, Contrary to, As opposed to, Whereas, While, However, On the other hand, In contrast, but, contrasts with, differs from, is different from...

Samples of how these words/phrases are used in sentences are given below (the theme is a comparison between extroverts and introverts).

1. Prepositions

Unlike
Contrary
As opposed to

} to the extrovert, who likes having adventures, the introvert likes a quiet life.

2. Adverbs

Whereas
While

} the extrovert loses his temper quickly, the introvert seldom does

3. Verbal Structures

The introvert { contrasts with
differs from
is different from } the extrovert { in regard to
in respect to } his liking for people

4. Sentence connectors

a. The extrovert loves crowds { however
on the other hand
in contrast } the introvert likes to be alone

b. The extrovert loves crowds, the introvert { however
on the other hand
in contrast } likes to be alone

5. But

The extrovert loves crowds, **but** the introvert likes to be alone

6. Punctuation only

- a. the introvert likes books; the extrovert is fond of people.
b. The introvert likes books; the extrovert, people

7. More than or less than

a. The introvert { is quieter than
is more reliable than
is less optimistic than
learns more slowly than } the extrovert

b. The extrovert { is not as quiet as
is not as reliable as
does not learn as slowly as } the extrovert