

Scoring Rubric

Use This Skill, Student Edition p. 119

To evaluate style and mechanics, See *Teacher's Guide* pages xiv–1. Use the following scoring rubric for content.

Content: Ideas and Organization

3 The writing is organized so the reader can easily understand the similarities and differences between the two topics. Each point is supported with convincing details.

2 The writing is somewhat organized but at times is difficult to follow or unclear. Most similarities and differences are clear, but some points could be better supported with details.

1 The purpose of the writing is unclear because the writer makes very few comparisons and contrasts. The writer did not make proper use of the reading information.

Skill 24: **HOW TO** Write a Comparison/ Contrast

Students should read the two paragraphs on *Skills Workbook* page 47, then make a graphic organizer to help them organize similarities and differences mentioned in the paragraphs. Students should then write a comparison/contrast of the two types of turtles, using the guidelines on *Skills Workbook* page 48 as they work.