## What an Introduction to a Comparison and Contrast Essay Should Include and/or Mention:

- An attention-grabbing opening sentence that makes the reader want to continue reading
- The titles of the two books being compared and the names of the authors of the books
- The three topics you are comparing and contrasting (three of the following):
  - Main characters
  - o Setting
  - o Mood
  - Conflict
  - o Plot
  - o Theme
  - o Author's style
  - o Imagery
  - o Tone
- That you are comparing and contrasting <u>or</u> discussing similarities and differences in the above three topics
- A total of 3 5 sentences
- Only general ideas and no specific details
- Should be written only using 3<sup>rd</sup> person <u>ABSOLUTELY NO</u> 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> PERSON pronouns may be used!