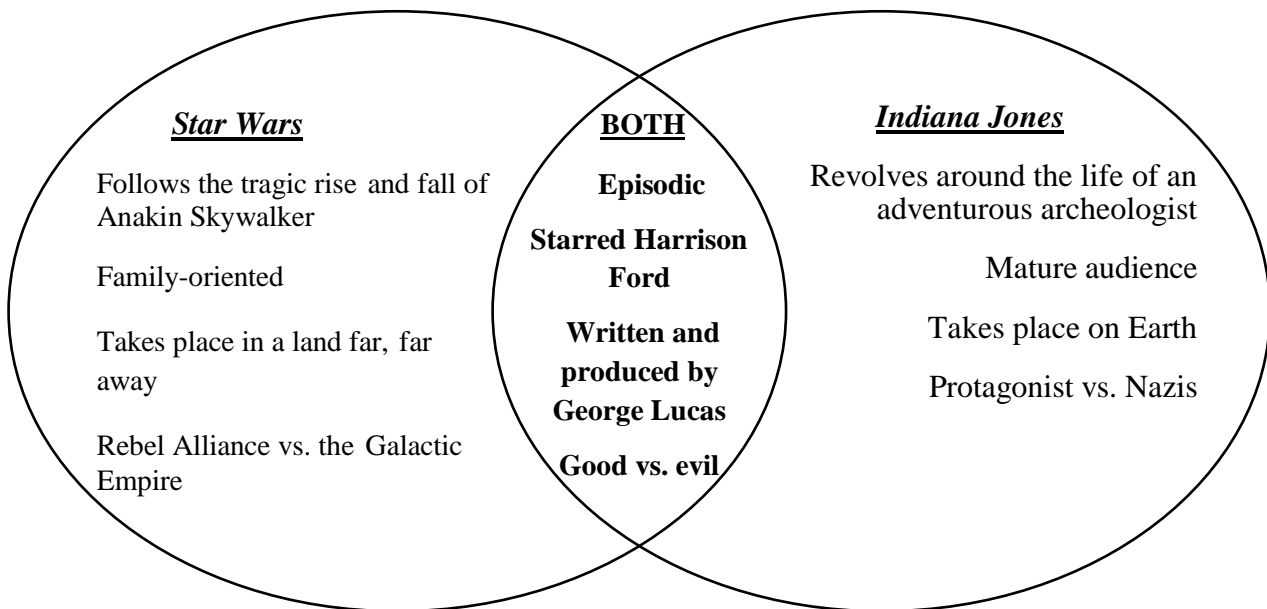


## Comparing/Contrasting

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*.



### Useful Words to Help Emphasize your Intentions

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