

# COMPARE AND CONTRAST

Read the passage given below and answer the questions.

## What causes day and night? Myths from around the world

**Filipino Mythology:** There were two gods: Apolaki, who ruled over the Sun, and his sister Mayari, who ruled over the Moon. Their father, Bathala, ruled over the entire world from the heavens, following his battle with Ulilang Kaluluwa. Sadly, Bathala's reign ended with his death, and a power struggle between Apolaki and Mayari began. Apolaki wanted to become the sole ruler of the heavens and the world, while Mayari had other plans: She sought to share the reign with Apolaki.

In one battle, Apolaki took out one of his sister's eyes. After the battle, Apolaki began to contemplate his actions, eventually beginning to regret them. To show his regret, Apolaki agreed to share the heavens and the world with Mayari. First, Apolaki would rule with the Sun; then, Mayari would rule. Yet, due to her loss of an eye, when she reigns over the heavens and the Earth, her power wanes, creating the Moon cycle.

**Lakota Mythology:** Hanwi is the Moon goddess in Lakota mythology. Wi, the Sun god, once took a mortal, named Iktomi, to replace Hanwi's place next to him at a feast. Skan, the sky god, denounced Wi for his actions, and decided to punish him. Skan took Hanwi from Wi and gave her rule over the night. Meanwhile, he ordered Wi to only rule over the day, never being allowed to see Hanwi. Hanwi, for eternity, will be depressed due to Wi's actions. She shows her shame by hiding different parts of her face, thus creating the Moon cycle.



**A** What is the author's purpose in writing the above passages?

Entertain

Persuade

Inform


**B** Identify the differences and similarities to complete the Venn diagram.

