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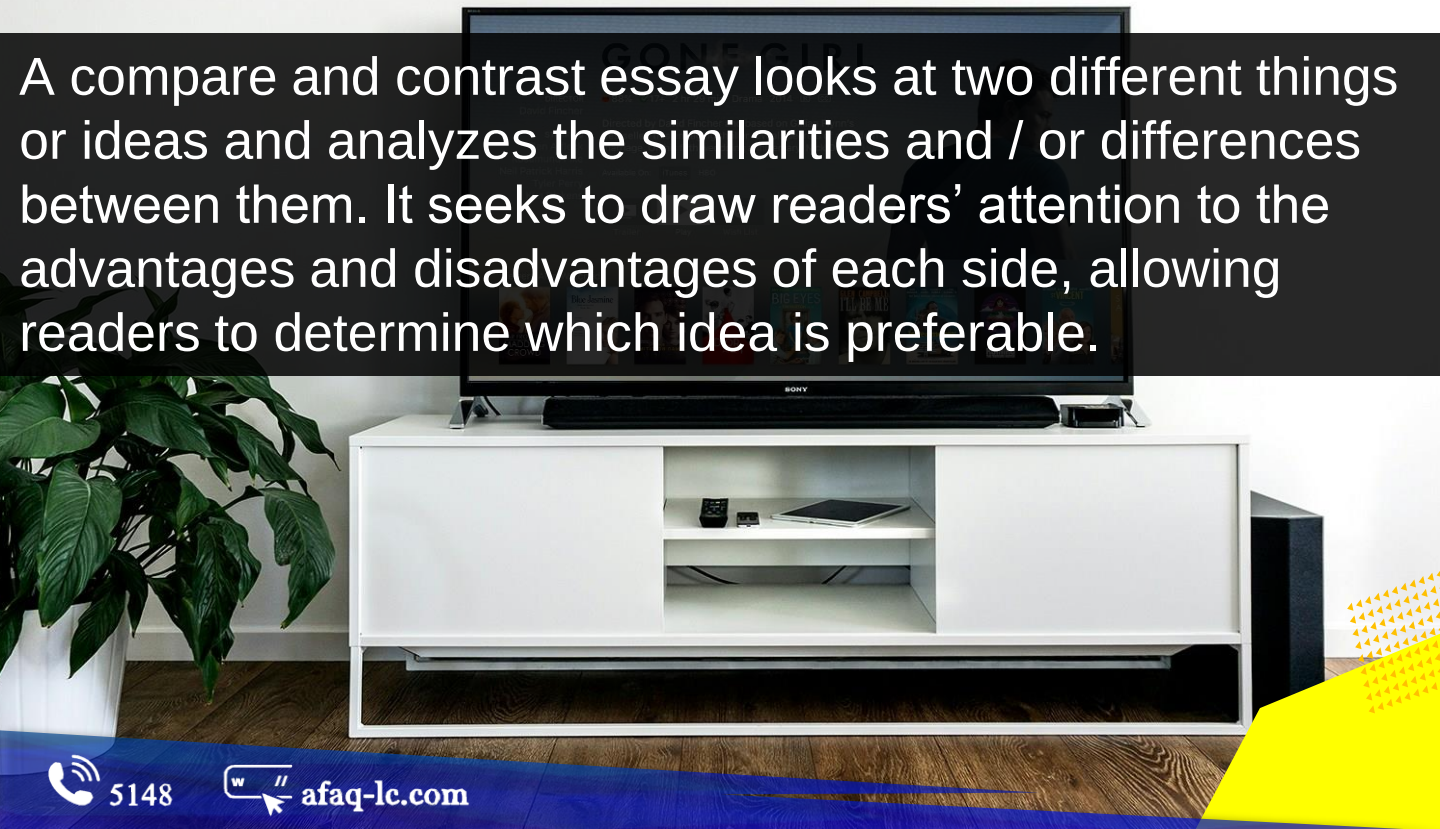
Writing

Unit6 – Lesson5

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READ ABOUT COMPARE AND CONTRAST ESSAYS.

A compare and contrast essay looks at two different things or ideas and analyzes the similarities and / or differences between them. It seeks to draw readers' attention to the advantages and disadvantages of each side, allowing readers to determine which idea is preferable.



Have Ss skim the text again and do the task. Then check the answers in class.

READ THE MODEL. WHAT TWO THINGS IS THE WRITER COMPARING? WHAT ARE SOME ADVANTAGES OF EACH SIDE?

The Great Jobs Debate: Passion vs. Pay



When you are looking for a new job, or perhaps for your first job, there are a lot of questions to consider. How can you decide what will be the right career move? One of the biggest decisions you will need to make is whether to choose a job based on your passion, or whether to choose a job based on practical features such as salary. If you follow your passion, will you make enough money to live? If you choose a job for the salary, will you be happy? It's important to consider the ramifications of both options.

"Following your passion" means choosing a job based on your innermost desires. When you choose a job because it's something you love—teaching, for example, or playing a musical instrument—you can be pretty sure that the job will make you happy. You are less likely to lose interest in the work over time. On the other hand, there may be fewer jobs in your area of interest. The salary may be low, and the benefits may not be great. And, of course, for many people, even figuring out what they are passionate about can be a challenge!

Choosing a more practical job can solve some of these problems, but it can raise other problems. If you can find a job with a good, steady salary, you are likely to feel less stressed. And if you have a steady job, you might have time to pursue your hobbies or passions outside of work. But if you are not happy about going to work every day, you will not feel motivated to do a great job; and then you might get stuck, and not be able to move ahead in your career.

Perhaps the best solution is a happy medium. Don't feel pressured to choose a job based on your passion, but do choose a job that seems interesting to you. Don't choose a job based solely on the salary, but do choose a job that makes enough money to cover your expenses. In the end, if you put enough energy and effort into your work, it's possible that your work will become your passion. And then you have the best of both worlds.

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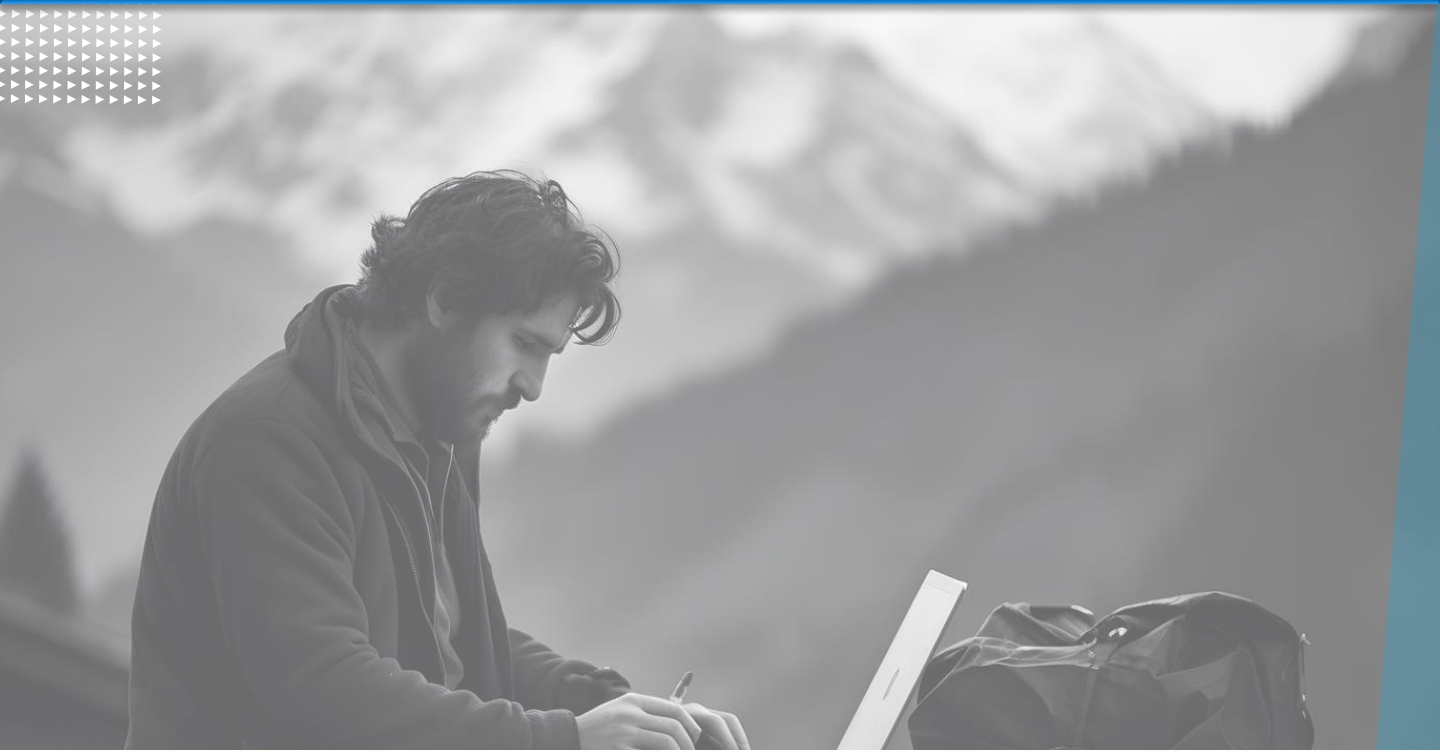
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D Read the model again. Take notes in the chart.

Choosing a job based on _____	
Pros	*Cons*
- the job will make you happy - you will not _____ over time	- fewer jobs - lower _____ - fewer _____ - not always easy to figure out what your passion is

Choosing a job based on _____	
Pros	*Cons*
- better salary - less _____ - time to pursue _____ outside of your job	- less _____ - you might get _____

Teach the writing skill and have the Ss do the task in class.



2 FOCUS ON WRITING

Read the Writing Skill. Then reread the model. Underline the examples of parallel structure.

WRITING SKILL **Use parallel structure**

Parallel structure in writing means repeating the same grammatical form within a sentence or across several related sentences. Using parallel structure to compare items or ideas throughout your essay makes the writing fluent, clear, and easy to read.

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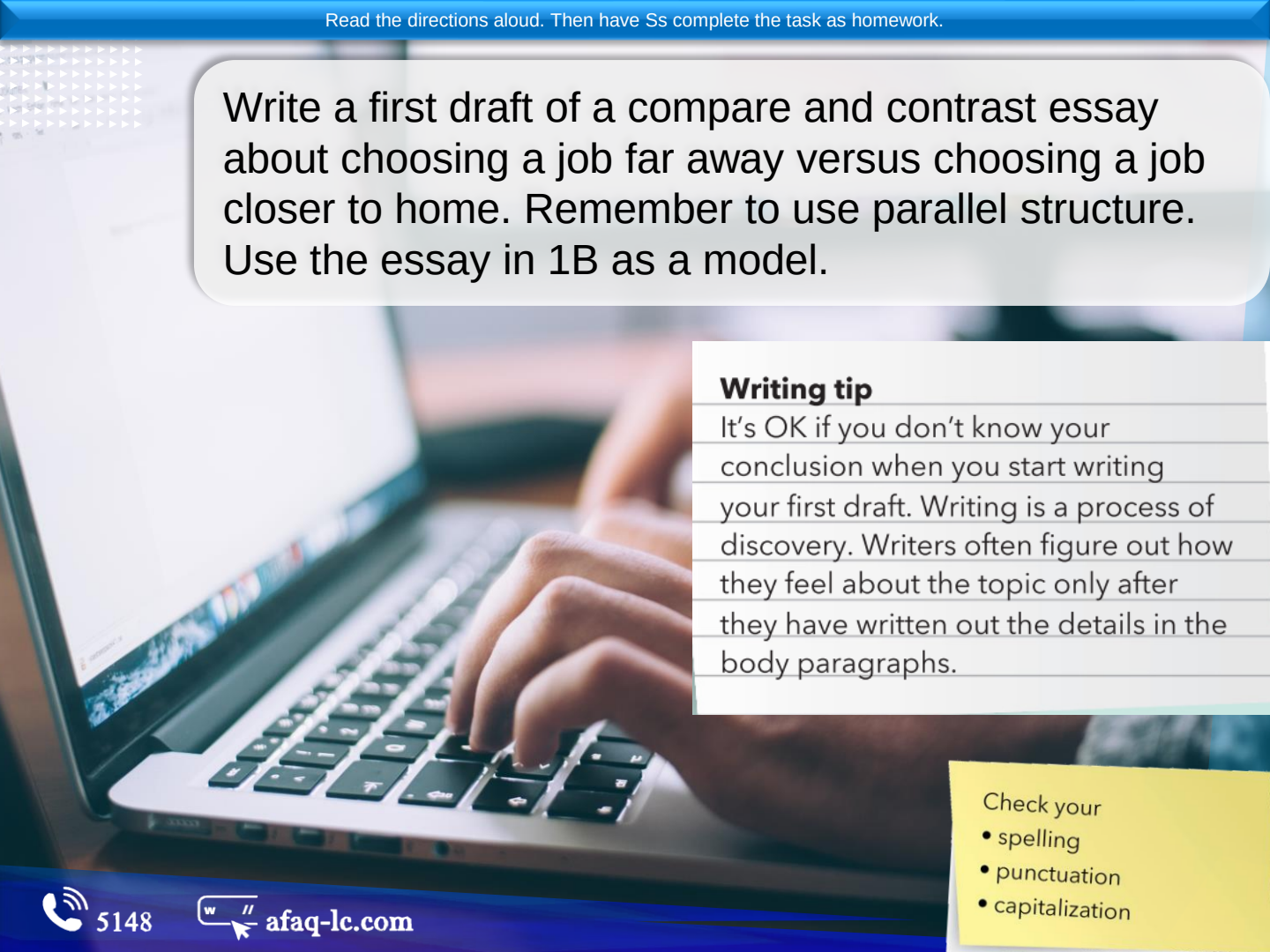
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Read the directions aloud. Then have Ss complete the task as homework.

Write a first draft of a compare and contrast essay about choosing a job far away versus choosing a job closer to home. Remember to use parallel structure. Use the essay in 1B as a model.



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