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Writing

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WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THAT HELP YOU LEARN A NEW SKILL?

Have Ss read the task and answer the questions. Then elicit their answers in class.

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

READ JIM'S POST.

WHAT WAYS OF LEARNING DOES HE TALK ABOUT?



THE WAYS WE LEARN

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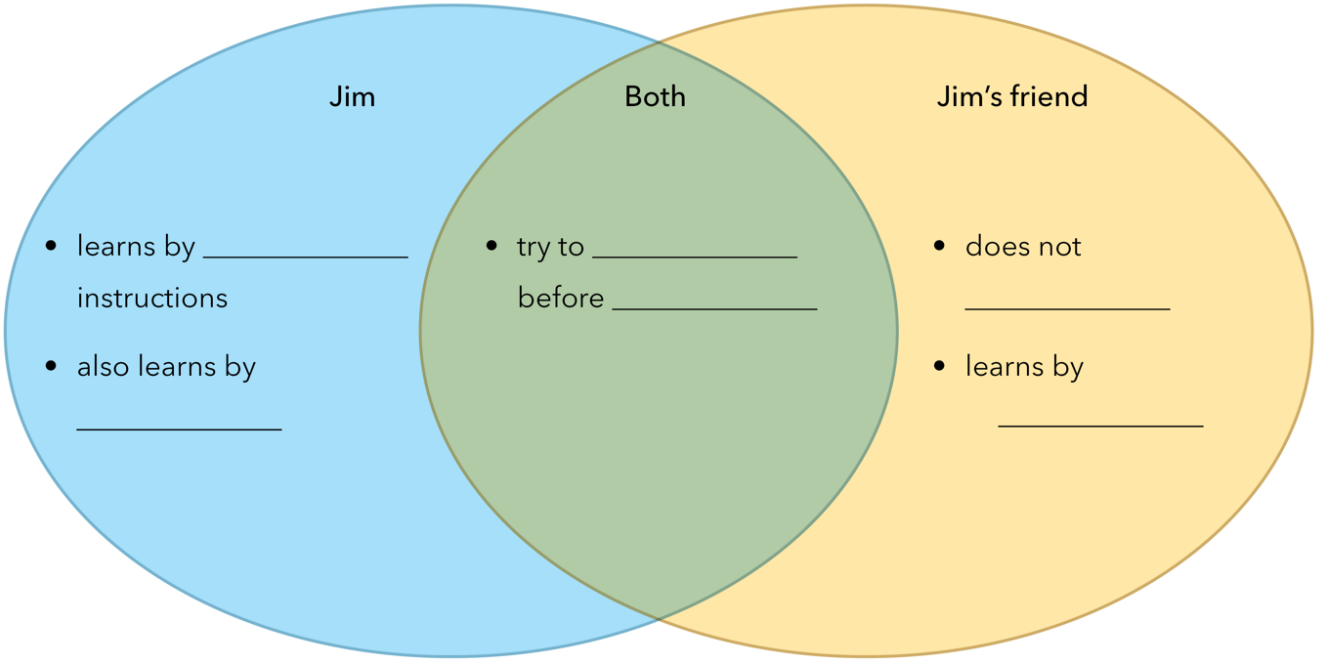
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Have Ss do the task in breakout rooms.

C Read the post again. Complete the chart.



2 FOCUS ON WRITING

Read the Writing Skill. Then reread Jim's post. Underline the words or phrases that signal comparison or contrast.

WRITING SKILL Show comparison and contrast

Use **compare and contrast** signal words to show how two things are alike and how they are different.

Compare: *alike*, *similarly*, *in common*

Contrast: *in contrast*, *unlike*, *as opposed to*, *instead*, *some…others*



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INTERVIEW YOUR PARTNER. COMPLETE THE CHART IN 3A WITH YOUR PARTNER'S INFORMATION.

Create breakout rooms and have the Ss do the task.

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



Write a post about how people learn using your and your partner's information from 3A and B. Remember to use signal words to show comparison and contrast. Use the post in 1B as a model.

Check your
- spelling
- punctuation
- capitalization