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Claim Clash Answer Key

1. Both paragraphs explain why **trees are important**.
2. Paragraph A focuses on **air and human health**, while Paragraph B focuses on **animals and habitats**.
3. Paragraph A only detail example: Trees take in carbon dioxide and give off oxygen.
4. Paragraph B only detail example: Birds, squirrels, and insects use trees for homes and food.

Equivalent correct answers are acceptable.

Teacher's Guide

- Reinforce that **comparisons look for similarities and differences** across two texts on the same topic.
- For differentiation, allow students to use sentence frames such as "Both paragraphs show that..."
- For engagement, have students talk with a partner before writing their answers.
- For extension, ask students to write a third paragraph that adds a new claim about trees.
- For support, reread one paragraph aloud and model how to spot a unique detail.