An investigation into the representation of hope in Emily Dickinson’s ‘Hope is the thing with feathers’ and a post by Chris Lynam.

Part 2 - Use the compare-contrast map to write a response to the investigation task. Write between 500 and 1000 words.

A suggested structure is as follows:
-look at how both texts use metaphor to express the idea of difficulties or obstacles in life; investigate key words in detail and explain how the metaphors work; you could do a separate paragraph for each text or try to look at the metaphors together
-look at how both texts use metaphor to express the idea of hope and overcoming problems; investigate key words in detail and explain how the metaphors work; you could do a separate paragraph for each text or try to look at the metaphors together
-look at the different forms and structure of the two texts; it would probably be easier to look at each text in a separate paragraph

You could also include an optional introduction or conclusion:
-your introductory paragraph doesn’t require any quotations or analysis; just give an overview of the two texts and state how they are linked e.g. overcoming difficulties and hope
-your conclusion is a summary of what you have learned from your analysis; In what ways are the texts effective at conveying similar ideas? Is one more effective than the other? What are the relative merits of the literary and non-literary form in conveying ideas about hope?