

Essay Check List

Thesis Statement:

- ___ 1). Does the thesis answer prompt?
- ___ 2). Is it placed at the end of the introduction?

1) Content, ideas, direct fulfillment of the assignment:

- ___ Does the essay use outside sources as listed in assignment sheet?
- ___ Does the essay contain the required quotes from the source as listed on the assignment sheet?
- ___ Did you provide context before quoting it?
- ___ Did you provide an explanation after quotes to show how the evidence supports the thesis?

Organization/ structure:

- ___ Introduction paragraph (no quotes)
- ___ Separate body paragraphs
- ___ Topic Sentences at the beginning of each paragraph
- ___ Conclusion paragraph (no quotes)
- ___ Do the paragraphs use the PIE (Point, Illustration, Explanation) method or another form of analysis such as TEXAS
- ___ Are the ideas and support points focused on the thesis statement?
- ___ MLA In-text citations for all quotes

3) Mechanics:

- ___ Spell check?
- ___ Cited ALL quotes in correct, MLA format?
- ___ Do you have a works cited page in alphabetical order
 - ___ & on separate page?
- ___ Have you proof read entire essay out loud?