

REVISION CHECKLIST

Ask the following questions of your essay as you revise your draft:

- Is your title interesting and descriptive of your contents?
- Will your opening sentence attract the reader's attention? If not, how can you improve it?
- Will your readers learn something interesting from your essay?
- Have you organized your essay in logically?
- Do you support your main idea with examples?
- Does all the writing relate to your main idea? Look for unnecessary information and edit it out.
- Do you use effective transitions to connect your details and examples so that your readers can follow your writing?
- Does the conclusion bring your essay to a satisfying close? Does it leave the reader something to think about?
- Did you choose your tone and diction carefully? Did you check for accurate use of vocabulary?
- Do you use a variety of sentence structures and length in order to make your writing interesting?
- Have you checked your punctuation?
- Have you checked your grammar, especially subject-verb agreement, verb tenses, and proper noun plurals?
- How happy are you with your essay? Do you think readers will enjoy reading it?