

FORMAL ESSAY STUDENT READER CHECKLIST

Writer's Name _____

Reader's Name _____

_____ This piece of writing contains five distinct paragraphs.

_____ This piece of writing does not contain five paragraphs it has _____ paragraphs.

Thesis Statement: _____

1st Paragraph

_____ Opens with a hook
_____ States a Thesis
_____ Mentions three supporting points

2nd Paragraph

_____ Transition from last paragraph to this paragraph
_____ First supporting point stated
_____ Supports point with logical reasons, examples, facts, details, explanations, ...
_____ Brings the paragraph to a close

3rd Paragraph

_____ Transition from last paragraph to this paragraph
_____ Second supporting point stated
_____ Supports point with logical reasons, examples, facts, details, explanations, ...
_____ Brings the paragraph to a close

4th Paragraph

_____ Transition from last paragraph to this paragraph
_____ Third supporting point stated
_____ Supports point with logical reasons, examples, facts, details, explanations, ...
_____ Brings the paragraph to a close

5th Paragraph

_____ Restates the thesis
_____ Restates the three main points
_____ Brings the essay to a close
_____ Full Circle
_____ Quote
_____ Future Action
_____ Factual Statement
_____ Insightful Observation

On the essay draft, please do the following:

1. 1st Paragraph - Underline the thesis
2. 1st Paragraph – Circle the three points/reasons
3. 5th Paragraph – Underline thesis restatement
4. 5th Paragraph – Circle three points/reasons restatement
5. In each body paragraph, underline reference(s) or connection(s) to the thesis.
6. Using red pen or red colored pencil, circle spelling, grammar, punctuation, and capitalization errors.

Generally speaking, this essay is

<input type="checkbox"/>	not well organized
<input type="checkbox"/>	somewhat organized
<input type="checkbox"/>	organized
<input type="checkbox"/>	well organized throughout

Generally speaking, this essay

<input type="checkbox"/>	is difficult to understand
<input type="checkbox"/>	does not prove the thesis
<input type="checkbox"/>	somewhat proves the thesis
<input type="checkbox"/>	logically proves the thesis

Generally speaking, I

<input type="checkbox"/>	found this essay difficult to read and understand
<input type="checkbox"/>	though this essay was OK
<input type="checkbox"/>	found this essay interesting

Specific Suggestions for Improvement:
