

## Revision Checklist

As you prepare to submit your paper to your instructor, carefully review this checklist. Make sure your paper meets all of the checklist's criteria. If you are not able to check the box beside a specific criterion because your paper fails to meet it, you should revise that part of your paper before submitting it for instructor review.

### **Title**

- Does the title describe the paper's purpose, focus, and subject matter?

### **Introduction**

- Does the introduction present the purpose of the paper?
- Is the first sentence intriguing and attention-grabbing?
- Does the introduction present the paper's focus and subject matter?
- Is the paper's overall argument or theme clearly stated or implied?

### **Body Paragraphs**

- Does each paragraph support the paper's overall argument or theme?
- Are paragraphs arranged logically so that readers can easily see how one paragraph's ideas connect to those of the next?
- Are there clear transitions between paragraphs?
- Is each paragraph sufficiently developed with specific and relevant information?
- Does each paragraph contain a clear topic sentence?
- Does each sentence relate to and support the paragraph's main ideas?

### **Conclusion**

- Does the conclusion reiterate the information explained in the body paragraphs?
- Does the conclusion effectively end the paper?
- Does the conclusion also give readers something to think more carefully about?

### **Other Issues**

- Is the paper organized and formatted according to the instructor's guidelines?
- Does the paper contain sentences that vary both in length and structure?
- Are all words properly used and appropriate for this paper?

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