



# WRITER'S STUDIO RESOURCES: REVISION CHECKLIST



Working on revising your paper? Use this list of questions to help guide your revision process.

*Note: not all questions may be relevant to all writing assignments*

## Assignment

- Does your essay follow the prompt and fulfill the requirements for the assignment?
- Is your paper correctly formatted as per the instructor's requirements?

## Organization

- Do you have an introduction, body paragraphs, and conclusion?
- Do you have a thesis statement?
- Does your essay flow logically from one point to the next?
- Are there transitions between your paragraphs/points?

## Thesis Statement

- Does your thesis carry throughout the entire paper?
- Does your thesis statement encompass all of the points of your argument?
- Have you revised your thesis to reflect things discovered while writing?

## Body Paragraphs & Topic Sentences

- Is each body paragraph focused on one topic?
- Is each point fully developed?
- Is there any repetition in your paragraphs?
- Do all of your points tie back into your thesis statement?
- Are there any points you left out?
- Do you address counterarguments?
- Does each paragraph have a topic sentence?

## Introduction & Conclusion

- Does your introduction give sufficient background information?
- Is the importance/significance of the topic made clear?
- Does your introduction have a thesis statement?
- Does your conclusion wrap up your thoughts and give your paper an end point?
- Does your conclusion give a takeaway message or a call to action?
- Do you make sure not to introduce new information or points in your conclusion?
- Do you make sure not to simply repeat your thesis in your conclusion?

## Style

- Is the tone of your writing appropriate for the audience of your paper?
- Does your paper reflect the right style for the genre? (Analysis? Comparison? Reflection?)
- Are your sentences varied in length and complexity?

## Sources

- Do you have a Works Cited or References page?
- Are all of your sources listed in the Works Cited/References?
- Are your sources credible?
- Have you properly integrated your sources?
- Have you interpreted your sources and explained how they connect to your argument?