

Five Paragraph Essay

Checklist

Structure and organisation		Yes
1	Does your essay have a title that tells the reader something about what you feel about the topic?	
2	Does your first sentence (hook) arouse interest?	
3	Is there a thesis statement (main point) at the end of the first paragraph?	
4	Does the Thesis Statement contain three points of interest that you are going to discuss in three Body Paragraphs?	
5	Is there a topic sentence at (or near) the beginning of each of the body paragraphs?	
	- Paragraph 2 begins with a topic sentence taken from the first point mentioned in the Thesis Statement	
	- Paragraph 3 begins with a topic sentence taken from the first point mentioned in the Thesis Statement	
	- Paragraph 4 begins with a topic sentence taken from the first point mentioned in the Thesis Statement	
6	Have you covered all the points mentioned in your Thesis Statement?	
7	Is all the information relevant?	
8	Have you reworded the thesis in the conclusion?	
9	Is there a definite conclusion in the last paragraph based on material discussed in the three Body Paragraphs?	
10	Is your final sentence striking, a real clincher ?	

Language and style		Yes
11	Is the tone of your writing appropriate?	
12	Are there varied linking / transitional words?	
13	Have you checked your spelling and grammar?	

Layout		Yes
14	Is your name at the top of the first page?	
15	Is the font size 12 px?	
16	Do you use 1.5 line spacing?	
17	Are your paragraph divisions correct?	
18	Have you attached your outline to the essay?	