



INTRODUCTION
Does the essay begin with a clear attention-grabbing statement or hook? Are there at least three sentences in the introduction? Does the writer make his or her intentions clear? Are you clear about what issue is being addressed in this essay? Is there a clear thesis statement?
BODY
Are there at least three body paragraphs? Does each body paragraph contain a clear topic sentence and idea? Does each body paragraph contain a conclusion statement?
CONCLUSION
Does the conclusion contain at least three sentences? Does the conclusion refer back to the thesis statement?
COHERENCE
Do the ideas flow logically and contribute to a building argument? Are transitions used correctly? Is the essay interesting and engaging? Does the analysis presented in the paper support the thesis statement?
Is the sentence structure varied?





MECHANICS
Is evidence appropriately attributed and cited?
Is each reference source clearly cited according to the relevant style guide?
Is the paper formatted according to the relevant style guide?
Are the references, tables, and figures formatted according to the style guide?
GRAMMAR
Has the paper been proofread? Check for the following:
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Punctuation errors
☐ Run-on sentences
☐ Fragments



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