

Proofreading Checklist: "Get Your 'A' Game On!"

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___: Does my introduction include the title, author, and genre (T.A.G.)? Does my thesis appear at the end of my introductory paragraph?

___: Do all of my topic sentences CLEARLY relate to my thesis and help PROVE it?

___: Do all of my quotes prove my topic sentences?

___: Do I actually *analyze* (demonstrate/"break-apart) how the quotes **prove** the thesis statement and topic sentences, or do I just explain what the quotes mean?

___: ***In *every* body paragraph, do I prove how the thesis relates both to the **plot** and its **universal significance**?

___: Is my paper in MLA format? *proper heading, Times New Roman 12 point font, double-spaced, title (related to the theme of the essay and not underlined, italicized, bolded, "emojified" etc.), 1 inch margins, page numbers

___: No first or second personal pronouns (I, me, you, we, us, our, etc.) *Third* person only (he, she, they, it etc)

___: Do I have any contractions, abbreviations, slang, awkward, or informal diction (word choice)?

___: In-Text Citations (parenthetical documentation) are correctly formatted

___: All quotes are integrated (and not *blind*)

___: No run-on sentences

___: No fragments

___: No spelling, capitalization, or punctuation errors

___: Do I have a variety of sentences? (simple, compound, complex)

___: Is my conclusion convincing? Does it answer the "So what?" / "Why does this matter?" question.

___: Is this an "A" quality paper?

Works Cited:

___: Is the Works Cited page titled properly? (No underline, italics, bold, etc.)

___: Do I have two scholarly sources along with the anchor text cited *both* in my paper and in my Works Cited?

___: Are the sources in alphabetical order?

___: Do the sources appear formatted correctly (12 point font, Times New Roman, the second line and any line after it is indented etc.)?

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