**Be an Objective Reader: Checklist**

**Introduction**

* Does the thesis statement address the main point and offer the writer’s perspective?
* Are there three points raised in the introduction?
* Does the introduction engage the reader?

**Body paragraph #1**

* Is there a topic sentence, outlining the paragraph’s main point and the writer’s perspective on that point?
* Does the paragraph offer support for the first point raised in the introduction?
* Is the support relevant – is it directly related to the first point?

**Body paragraph #2**

* Is there a topic sentence, outlining, the paragraph’s main point and the writer’s perspective on that point?
* Does the paragraph offer support for the second point raised in the introduction?
* Is the support relevant – is it directly related to the second point?

**Body paragraph #3**

* Is there a topic sentence, outlining the paragraph’s main point and the writer’s perspective on that point?
* Does the paragraph offer support for the third point raised in the introduction?
* Is the support relevant – is it directly related to the third point?

**Conclusion**

* Does the writer re-state the thesis statement, using different words?
* Does the writer introduce new points in the conclusion?
* Does the conclusion sum up the essay and bring it to a logical and appropriate ending?

**Ask yourself:**

* Is the verb tense correct throughout the essay?
* Is the spelling correct throughout the essay?
* Do pronouns refer to the correct antecedent?
* Is the point of view consistent throughout the essay?
* Is the writing unified?
* Is everything related to the thesis statement?