Writing Checklist

Writer: ___________________________ Date: ______________________________

Ideas
   ___ Does the writing explore an interesting topic?
   ___ Does it contain plenty of quality information?

Organization
   ___ Does the writing start out strong?
   ___ Does the middle part explain the topic?
   ___ Does the writing end in an effective way?

Voice
   ___ Does the writer seem knowledgeable about the topic?
   ___ Does he or she sound interested?

Words
   ___ Does the writer use specific words?
   ___ Does he or she explain any challenging words?

Sentences
   ___ Are the ideas easy to follow?

Conventions
   ___ Does the writing follow the basic rules for grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling?

Design
   ___ Are visuals (photos, graphs, drawings) helpful?