**Checklist** for Revising and Editing Stories

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Use this checklist as you revise and edit your story. Make changes until you can check off each trait under “REVISING.” Also have a peer reviewer check these traits. Then switch to “EDITING” with the help of a peer editor.

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| **REVISING** | |
|  | **Ideas** Do I have interesting main characters dealing with a difficult conflict? |
|  | **Organization** Do I capture the reader’s interest, build suspense to a climactic moment, and quickly resolve the story afterward? |
|  | **Voice** Is my narrative voice effective? Do characters sound real? |
|  | **Words** Have I used precise nouns and active verbs? |
|  | **Sentences** Does my story read smoothly? |
| **EDITING** | |
|  | **Conventions** Have I checked punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and grammar? |