**Paragraph Checklist**

Use the following checklist as a guide when you revise and edit your paragraphs.

**Ideas**

Does my paragraph focus on one interesting topic?

Do I include enough specific supporting details?

**Organization**

Does my topic sentence identify the topic and express a feeling about it?

Have I organized the details in the body in the best order?

Does the closing sentence remind the reader about the topic?

**Voice**

Do I show interest in—and knowledge of—my topic?

Does my voice fit my topic? My purpose? My audience?

**Word Choice**

Do I use specific nouns and active verbs?

Do I explain any unfamiliar terms?

**Sentence Fluency**

Have I used clear and complete sentences?

Do I vary my sentence beginnings and lengths?

**Conventions**

Do I use correct punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and grammar?

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