

Descriptive Essay Check List: Parents should use this check list to edit student's essays as follows:

- Place a check in the column if no changes are needed, place an X in the column, if changes are needed.
- Students should make the necessary changes, and the "best ever" version should be turned in to me.
- Please staple the check list with your marks, and your signature to the parent-edited essay, and staple both to the student's best ever essay.

 Has proper MLA formatting:

 heading in left-hand corner, page numbers in upper right, starting with page 2

 double-spaced and typed in Times New Roman 12 pt. Font

 Title centered and in regular font

 Contains transitions within and between the body paragraphs (10 pts)

 Has an introduction which contains the hook, introductory information and the thesis sentence. (10 pts)

 Has a conclusion which contains the three R's: (revisits the three main points, restates the thesis, and wraps up the paper or any loose ends.) (15 pts)

 Has three body paragraphs, each containing a main point, and all supporting information concerning the main point, using "SEE" format. (45 pts)

 Contains "dress-ups." Dress-ups are words or phrases that are used to make a paper of better quality by making the language brighter, more fun and less monotonous. No banned or weak words. (15 pts)

 Example of "Dress-Ups"

 Vivid adverb

 Quality adjective

 Strong Verb

Mechanics: (25 pts) Although, if there is a very high number of mechanical issues, the paper will need to be redone, and will not be accepted.

 All sentences are complete. There are no run-on sentences or fragments.

 Uses only third person, except if approved to use personal examples.

 All words are spelled correctly.

 Punctuation is used correctly, so that sentence structure flows in a smooth manner. Commas are used in the right place in the correct manner.

Parent Signature confirming that you've read student's essay according to this rubric: (10 pts)

TOTAL: _____ / 130

