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**Comp and American Lit | Literary Analysis Essay Checklist | 28 October 2021**

**Do NOT check off an item unless it FULLY meets the requirement.**

- Is my essay in correct MLA format? (See "MLA Format" doc on Q1 Weebly)
- Do I have a creative title? Is it centered below the heading?
- Is my essay at least 750 words?
- Does my introduction grab the reader's attention?
- Does my introduction paragraph include the TITLE and AUTHOR?
- Is my thesis statement the last sentence of introduction paragraph?
- Did I underline my thesis statement?
- Does my thesis statement CLEARLY state what my essay will prove?
- Is my introduction paragraph at least five sentences long?
- Does each body paragraph include a topic sentence that directly supports the thesis?
- Did I underline each topic sentence?
- Does each body paragraph include two restrict sentences that gives more information/makes a statement about the TS that the quotes that follow will show?
- Does each body paragraph include two quotes (textual support) from the text?
- Are my quotes appropriate—do they PROVE/SUPPORT the topic sentence and thesis?
- Is each quote integrated into the sentence effectively? Remember – introduce the quote with your own words (See "Quote Practice PPT" on Q1 Weebly)
- Are my quotes properly cited?
- Have I analyzed each quote to show how it relates to the topic sentence/thesis statement?
- Do I have transitions between ideas within a paragraph and between paragraphs?
- Does my conclusion start with a restated thesis (NOT exact wording as thesis)?
- Does my conclusion wrap up my essay without introducing new ideas?
- Is my conclusion at least five sentences long?
- Do I use literary present tense throughout?
- Did I check for grammar and mechanics and correct any errors I found?
- Did I use third person throughout? (No I, me, my, we, us, our, you, your, etc)
- Did I avoid passive verbs? (no more than 2 per paragraph)
- Did I submit an electronic copy to Turn-it-in as an editable file, saved with my name?
- Did a parent proofread my paragraph? (Student: turn in parent-proofed copy and sign below.  
Parent: sign below)
- Did I staple my signed, parent-proofed copy and this checklist together with a fresh, corrected copy to submit in class?

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_