

## Editing Checklist

Directions: Use this editing checklist to proof your essay.

### Introduction

- Does it begin with a hook that makes the reader want to keep reading?
- Is the purpose of the piece clear to the reader?
- Did you state your opinion?

### Body

- Are there clear paragraphs for the purpose?
- Does the order fit the purpose or is it confusing?
- Does each paragraph begin with a topic sentence?
- Did you support your reason with details?

### Conclusion

- Is it clear that the essay has come to an end?
- Is there a strong statement the reader will remember?

### Sentences

- Are the sentences well formed? Do they make sense?
- Are they different lengths? Do they start in different ways?

### Vocabulary

- Are words used interesting, create vivid details and images?
- Did you use new science vocabulary words? (for example: deciduous, biome, climate)

### Conventions

- Are spelling, punctuation, and capitalization correct?
- Are you making apostrophe errors? (for example: its or it's, who's or whose, you're or your)

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## Persuasive Essay Graphic Organizer

### Paragraph #1 - Introduction:

- Attention-grabbing beginning -
- Description of issue -
- Opinion statement -

### Paragraph #2

Reason #1 -

Evidence to support  
(details and examples)

### Paragraph #3:

Reason #2 -

Evidence to support  
(details and examples)

### Paragraph #4:

Reason #3 -

Evidence to support  
(details and examples)

### Paragraph #5 - Conclusion:

- Restate opinion -
- Summarize 3 reasons -
- Closing statement -

The Best Season of  
the Year is...

