



Expository Writing Checklist

Introduction

- 1 Did you use 2 to 3 sentences to introduce the topic?
- 2 Did you introduce your topic with supporting details?
- 3 Do your supporting details completely relate to the topic?
- 4 Is your topic stated clearly?
- 5 Is your introductory paragraph catchy and does it engage the reader?

Body

- 1 Do you have a paragraph for each of your 3-5 details?
- 2 Is each detail clearly stated at the beginning of each paragraph?
- 3 Did you back up each detail with facts?
- 4 Did you include closing remarks at the end of each paragraph and lead into the next paragraph?

Conclusion

- 1 Did you re-state your topic idea?
- 2 Did you finish with an ending that leaves the reader satisfied?
- 3 Did you summarize the previous paragraphs?

Overall:

- 1 Does your expository writing inform the reader well about your topic?
- 2 Did you use informing details, facts and logic?
- 3 Do all your paragraphs relate well to your topic?
- 4 Have you really captured your reader's interest?
- 5 Have you left your readers with good information in some way?