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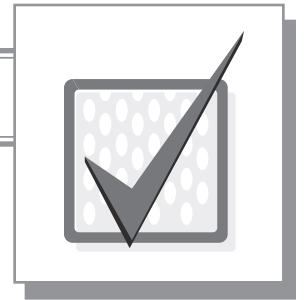
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## Student Writing Checklist

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**Instructions:** Use this checklist to evaluate your essay. If there is an item you cannot check off, make changes as needed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have written a clear introduction stating that middle school will be different from elementary school. My introduction indicates that this video essay will discuss the three differences that my class and I found to be most significant.

\_\_\_\_\_ My introduction makes a reader want to learn more about middle school.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have organized my essay so that I discuss one topic or difference at a time. I use a point-by-point approach in my essay in which each point either begins with the view from elementary school or the view from middle school.

\_\_\_\_\_ My points follow the agreed-upon order of the video.

\_\_\_\_\_ My essay moves smoothly from one idea to the next.

\_\_\_\_\_ My essay uses comparison and contrast transition words to show relationships between ideas.

\_\_\_\_\_ My paper uses a variety of sentence structures and transitions.

\_\_\_\_\_ I give several details on each of the three differences between elementary school and middle school. My details include things such as examples, personal anecdotes, and facts.

\_\_\_\_\_ Overall, my text helps my reader see differences between the two types of schools.