**Editing Checklist (Essays)**

**Style**

\_\_\_\_ Did you word-process your assignment with a good font, double spaced

(REALLY double spaced), etc.?

\_\_\_\_ Is your name and student number in the header?

\_\_\_\_ Did you write the topic and draft number in the header?

\_\_\_\_ Did you put the date the assignment is due, the page numbers, and the word

count in the footer?

**Pieces**

\_\_\_\_ Did you check the title?

\_\_\_\_ Do you have 5 paragraphs?

\_\_\_\_ Does your introductory paragraph go from general to the M.I.S.?

\_\_\_\_ Do you have clear topic sentences in each body paragraph that relates back

to the M.I.S.?

\_\_\_\_ Are all the body paragraph sentences related to each topic sentence?

\_\_\_\_ Do you have an appropriate concluding sentence?

\_\_\_\_ Does your concluding paragraph NOT repeat information already given?

**Proofreading and Editing**

\_\_\_\_ Did you understand the assignment and write what the instructor asked you

to write?

\_\_\_\_ Did you proofread for grammar errors (spelling, subject-verb agreement,

verb tense, articles)?

\_\_\_\_ Are all the sentences complete sentences with a subject and a verb?

\_\_\_\_ Did you proofread for punctuation errors (comma usage, periods)?

\_\_\_\_ Did you proofread for capitalization errors (first words of sentences, proper

nouns)?