

Rewriting an Explanatory Essay

Most of writing is rewriting. When rewriting an explanatory essay, here is a checklist of what to review to improve your rough draft. I have separated these into groups. Focus on the first group on your first rewrite of the essay, the second group on the second rewrite, and the last group when writing your final draft.



Review 1

- _____ The process or event is easy to understand after reading your paper.
- _____ All necessary aspects or steps are included.
- _____ The order of events or steps is logical and easy to follow.
- _____ The paper is focused with no extraneous information.

Review 2

- _____ There are no run-on sentences.
- _____ There are no sentence fragments.
- _____ There is a variety of simple, compound, and complex sentences.
- _____ There is a variety of short, medium, and long sentences.

Review 3

- _____ All capitalization is correct.
- _____ All punctuation is correct.
- _____ Any other grammar rules you know are followed correctly.