

# Rewriting a Research Paper

Most of writing is rewriting. When rewriting a research paper, here is a checklist of what to review to improve your rough draft. I have given you two checklists. Do the first in one rewriting session; do the second when writing your final draft.



## Review 1

- \_\_\_\_\_ The topic is clearly stated in the introduction.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Each paragraph has a clear focus.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Each sentence in each paragraph relates to that paragraph's focus.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If a sentence is out of place, move it to the appropriate paragraph or delete it.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Every fact in the paper relates to the event.

## Review 2

- \_\_\_\_\_ All names of people and places are spelled correctly.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All dates are correct.
- \_\_\_\_\_ There is a list at the end of the paper of all the sources you used.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All capitalization is correct.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All punctuation is correct.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any other grammar rules you know are followed correctly.