



## Evaluation Checklist for Revising

### Checking Your Research Paper

- ✓ Does your introduction contain a thesis statement that makes the main point of your research report clear? (pages 387–388 and 393)
- ✓ Does the body of your research report support the thesis statement and related claims? (pages 387 and 393–406)
- ✓ Do the ideas in your research report follow a logical development? (pages 389–391 and 406)
- ✓ Does your research report reflect a clearly stated point of view? (page 396)
- ✓ Does your research report have unity? (pages 89 and 115)
- ✓ Does your research report have coherence? (pages 90–93 and 115)
- ✓ Is your emphasis clear? (page 115)
- ✓ Does your report use graphics or illustrations if needed? (pages 410–411)
- ✓ Does your conclusion have a strong ending? (pages 387 and 399)
- ✓ Does your research report have parenthetical citations and a list of sources on a works-cited page? (pages 400–405)
- ✓ Does your research report have a title that suggests the subject of the report?
- ✓ Did you use a style manual to format written materials? (pages 402–404)

### Checking Your Paragraphs

- ✓ Does each paragraph have a topic sentence? (pages 80–82)
- ✓ Is each paragraph unified and coherent? (pages 89–93 and 115)
- ✓ Did you use transitions so that one paragraph leads smoothly into the next? (pages 5, 90–92, and 291)

### Checking Your Sentences and Words

- ✓ Are your sentences varied? (pages 59–66)
- ✓ Are your sentences concise? (page 68–70)
- ✓ Did you avoid faulty sentences? (pages 71–72)
- ✓ Did you use specific rather than general words? (pages 48–56)

## PROJECT PREP **Revising** Development, Accuracy, Sentences

Exchange papers with a writing partner and give one another suggestions on how to prepare the most complete, convincing, and polished version of your paper as you can. Make certain that you use at least eight reliable references for your paper and that they come from a variety of types of sources, including the Internet, encyclopedias, history books, and other sources of information available in the library.