

## Expository Five-Paragraph Essay Checklist

### 1<sup>st</sup> Paragraph:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Hook and Background Information
- \_\_\_\_\_ Thesis Statement with the Magic Three (the three main ideas you will write about)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Paragraph:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Transition
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Main Idea (followed by a period)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Three Supporting Details with Elaboration

### 3rd Paragraph:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Transition
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Main Idea (followed by a period)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Three Supporting Details with Elaboration

### 4<sup>th</sup> Paragraph:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Transition
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> Main Idea (followed by a period)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Three Supporting Details with Elaboration

### 5<sup>th</sup> Paragraph:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Transition
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rephrase the Thesis Statement /Magic Three
- \_\_\_\_\_ Connect Back to Essay and Add a Final Thought