ESSAY CHECKLIST

**1. Introduction**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Hook

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Transition

\_\_\_\_\_\_Thesis statement underlined

**2. Body**

Think of a paragraph as having two, or possibly three sections:

1. **A topic sentence**: this states the main topic of the paragraph and the controlling idea

2. **Supporting sentences**: these develop the topic sentence

3. **A concluding sentence**: this signals the end of the paragraph and leaves the reader with important points to remember, but is often unnecessary

\_\_\_\_\_\_Paragraph 1 opposing opinion reason

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Start with TOPIC SENTENCE

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Supporting sentences

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A concluding sentence

\_\_\_\_\_Paragraph 2 – first opinion reason

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Start with TOPIC SENTENCE

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Supporting sentences

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A concluding sentence

\_\_\_\_\_Paragraph 3 – Second Opinion Reason

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Start with TOPIC SENTENCE

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Supporting sentences

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A concluding sentence

**3. Conclusion**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Summary of main points

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Thesis re-worded