**Writing for Change Summary Response Writer’s Checklist**

1. Is the essay typed in MLA format?
2. Does the essay have *four paragraphs* – an introduction, summary paragraph, response paragraph, and conclusion paragraph?
3. Does the summary paragraph include the *author’s thesis* first and *main points* afterwards?
4. Has the student writer used *quotes or paraphrasing* from the article?
5. Is the article and author *introduced correctly* with the pattern we went over in class?
6. Is the response section organized and has the student writer responded in *one of three ways* to the article as described in the essay guideline sheet?
7. Does the topic sentence in the response paragraph determine the content and organization of the paragraph?
8. Does the response paragraph provide *evidence from the article*, and from the student writer’s experience to support the claim made in the topic sentence?
9. Has there been an effort to *cite the article* correctly in MLA style?
10. Does the conclusion wrap up the essay and include the student writer’s idea?
11. Has the essay been proofread? Are there sloppy errors?