

## PEER REVIEW QUESTIONS

Questions to help you help others with their writing!

### Organization:

- 1) Does the first paragraph serve as a good introduction to the rest of the paper?
  - 2) Can you identify a thesis statement in the introduction? **SQUIGGLE UNDERLINE IT!**
  - 3) **Is the title appealing?**
  - 4) **Is the lead (first sentence or two) effective?**
  - 5) Is the paper organized with a recognizable beginning, middle, and end?
  - 6) Is the paper organized with a thesis statement, supporting details, and a conclusion?
  - 7) Does the paper end with a **whimper** or a **shout**?
  - 8) **Is the ending just a repeat of some other part of the paper?**
- ⇒ **MARK all topic sentences with a (T)**
- ⇒ **Underline supporting details.**

### Sentence Fluency:

- 1) Are there any sentences whose meaning is unclear? **HIGHLIGHT THEM!**
- 2) Is there any part of this paper that is difficult to follow? **EXPLAIN!**
- 3) Are there any run-on sentences or sentence fragments?

**Conventions:** Did you find distracting grammar, punctuation, spelling or word usage problems?

### Ideas:

- 1) Do the ideas presented make sense?
- 2) Are there any parts that seem out of place? **LIST THEM HERE:**

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### Word Choice:

- 1) Are there any words that are flat, overused, or meaningless? **LIST THEM:**
- 2) Are there any rich vocabulary words that add to the overall effect of the paper? **LIST THEM:**