

Writing Literary Analyses

Revising in Action

Name: _____ Date: _____

Revise with a checklist.

Read each line. When you can answer each question with yes, check it off.

Developing Your Ideas

- Does your analysis have a strong lead that catches the reader's interest?
- Does your thesis statement clearly focus on one or more major elements of the literature?
- Does your analysis include thematic details?
- Does the topic sentence of each body paragraph name a specific main point that supports the thesis?
- Does evidence from the literature provide solid support for your analysis?
- Do transition words and phrases connect ideas and create a smooth flow of thought?
- Does your writing voice sound knowledgeable and interested?
- Do your sentences read smoothly?