Persuasive Essays Checklist

Name _____________________________________________________ Date ____________
Title ______________________________________________________________________

1. My persuasive essay has a strong lead. ___ ___ ___
2. My persuasive essay has a specific audience. ___ ___ ___
3. My persuasive essay is logically sequenced. ___ ___ ___
4. My persuasive essay states a strong position. ___ ___ ___
5. I made my case using facts and evidence. ___ ___ ___
6. My persuasive essay suggests solutions and actions. ___ ___ ___
7. I used powerful words to influence my audience. ___ ___ ___
8. My persuasive essay has a strong ending. ___ ___ ___
9. I included various sentence lengths, complex sentences, and command sentences to make my writing more interesting. ___ ___ ___
10. I used descriptive words to make my writing clearer. ___ ___ ___
11. I included sarcasm to set the tone for my essay. ___ ___ ___
12. I included counterarguments. ___ ___ ___

Quality Writing Checklist
I looked for and revised . . .

incomplete sentences. ___ ___ ___
subject/verb agreement. ___ ___ ___
verb tense. ___ ___ ___
future perfect tense. ___ ___ ___
punctuation (apostrophes). ___ ___ ___
capitalization. ___ ___ ___
spelling. ___ ___ ___
indented paragraphs. ___ ___ ___

* Confer with your teacher about checklist items you are not sure you have addressed.