

CHECKLIST FOR WRITERS
Grade 8
2017 English Standards of Learning

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- I planned my response before writing it.

- I revised my response to be sure that
 - the introduction to my response captures the reader's attention;
 - the central idea or thesis is supported with specific information and examples;
 - the content of my response is related to my central idea or thesis;
 - my response uses effective transitions to connect ideas;
 - my response is organized in a logical manner;
 - my sentences are varied and read smoothly;
 - my word choice develops my purpose, tone, and voice; and
 - the conclusion brings my ideas together.

- I edited my response to be sure that
 - standard grammar is used;
 - sentences are constructed and punctuated correctly;
 - words are spelled correctly and capitalized when appropriate; and
 - paragraphs are clearly indicated.

- I checked my response to be certain that my message will be clear to my reader.