**ENG-105 Checklist Tool for the Review Writing Assignment**

# Essay Content

## Topic Selection

* Avoid using the CDC as the subject of the evaluation
* Avoid using an online article, as it is not a website
* The following is a ***suggested*** list of website options (only choose one):
  + CHADD
  + NIMH
  + ADDA
  + APA
  + Mayo Clinic

## Introduction

* Begins with an effective hook
* Overview of topic/website
  + Provides an introduction of the website
  + Communicates the importance of a review and the concept of credibility
  + Remains focused on website and criteria rather than ADHD
  + Includes a smooth transition to thesis statement
* Thesis statement
  + Makes an evaluative claim regarding the website’s credibility
  + Focuses on and presents three of the five evaluation criteria (accuracy, authority, objectivity, currency, coverage)

## Body Paragraphs

### Content and Ideas

Each body paragraph . . .

### addresses, defines, and develops each of the chosen criterion

* provides evidence from the website to demonstrate how it fulfills each criterion, thereby establishing credibility
* contains research-based, cited information from scholarly sources
* contains at least one example from the website for each criterion
* includes sources reflective of an investigation of criteria, not ADHD
* includes correctly cited direct quotes and paraphrasing
* utilizes resources reflective of the criteria and website evaluation rather than ADHD

### Organization

* Present the criteria in the same order as they appear in the thesis statement
* Construct one body paragraph for each criterion (3 criteria/3 body paragraphs)
* Construct strong topic sentences, which include a transitional word/phrase, make reference to the main claim of credibility in the thesis, and present the specific criterion addressed in the paragraph

## Conclusion

* The first sentence restates the thesis statement, conveying the main idea in the thesis with fresh wording
* The conclusion effectively summarizes the content of the essay
* The conclusion effectively brings closure to each of the main points
* No new information is presented in the conclusion
* The essay ends with an impactful statement regarding the credibility of the website and its usefulness for research

# Format

* The essay meets word count (750-1,000)
* The essay aligns with the APA 7th Edition Format
* The title page is spaced and formatted according to APA 7th Edition standards
* The essay does not include an abstract and/or a subheading above each paragraph
* A boldfaced title appears above the first paragraph
* The in-text citations are correctly formatted
* The references page is correctly formatted and placed on a separate page
* There is consistency and coordination between the in-text citations and the references page
* Times New Roman font (size 12) is consistently used throughout the essay
* Double spacing, 1” margins, 0.5” paragraph indentations, and left alignment are consistently used

# Language/Style

* The writer uses a variety of sentence structures
* The writer establishes and maintains a formal, academic tone
* The essay is written in third person (avoid first and second person pronouns)
* The essay is void of slang, jargon, contractions, and wordiness
* The essay avoids narration or giving instructions to the reader

# Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics

* Tools such as Word Grammar Check, LopesWrite, and/or Grammarly.com have been employed to identify errors in spelling, grammar, usage, and mechanics
* The essay is free of errors in
  + Sentence structure
  + Punctuation
  + Spelling
  + Capitalization
  + The use of acronyms
  + Agreement
  + Use of articles