

Person Place & Thing Story - Editing checklist

- **TITLE and NAME** at the top (Title is capitalized, name on second line is capitalized)
- **CAPITALS**, beginning of sentences and proper nouns have capital (names of people, things and places)
- **SPELLING**, check for errors
- **PUNCTUATION**, questions have question marks, dialogue has quotation marks, periods at end of sentences...
- **RUN ONs** – are your sentences too long?
- **INCOMPLETES** – check for missing subject or actions
- **PARAGRAPH BREAKS** – do you have one main subject for each paragraph?
- **TENSE** – are you consistent with staying in PAST or PRESENT or FUTURE?
- **DESCRIBE** (don't just tell) – have you described/ shown the reader what is happening in an interesting and creative way?
- **CHARACTERS** – do we know enough about them to CARE about them?
- **LITERARY TOOLS** – have I used a good number of these to add creativity and interest to my story:
 - a) simile and metaphor
 - b) hyperbole
 - c) zoomorphism
 - d) alliteration
 - e) foreshadowing
 - f) personification
 - g) onomatopoeia
- **STORYLINE** (Plotline)
 - a) described setting and characters enough?
 - b) created enough rising action (building tension/ problems)?
 - c) will the reader feel anxious at the climax and want to keep reading?
 - d) included enough falling actions to resolve main problem adequately
 - e) all 'loose ends' have been wrapped up (solved/ explained)
 - f) ending is fitting to the story