

ARMS Revision Checklist

Use this checklist to revise your writing like a pro!

Strategy		What to Look For	Checklist	Color
A	Add	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More details or examples Descriptive words Transitions or clarifications 	<input type="checkbox"/> I added at least 2 new details. <input type="checkbox"/> I added a transition or descriptive word.	Green
R	Remove	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repeated words or ideas Off-topic sentences Unnecessary filler words 	<input type="checkbox"/> I removed 2-3 unnecessary or repeated words. <input type="checkbox"/> I deleted anything that didn't belong.	Red or Orange
M	Move	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sentences that are out of order Ideas that would make more sense elsewhere 	<input type="checkbox"/> I moved at least one sentence to improve flow. <input type="checkbox"/> I checked that my ideas are in a logical order.	Blue
S	Substitute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weak or vague word Overused words Boring verbs or adjectives 	<input type="checkbox"/> I replaced 2 weak words with stronger ones. <input type="checkbox"/> I used a thesaurus or <input type="checkbox"/> brainstormed better word choices.	Yellow

Final Check

- I read my writing out loud to hear how it flows.
- I used all four ARMS strategies to improve my writing.
- I feel proud of the changes I made!