

Revision 2 – The Structure

Now that you've read the unrevised essay through for fluency, read it through a second time, this time checking on the following things. Once you've identified where the problems are, look at 'Essay 2 – Structure revised', which I have annotated so you can see the changes I have made and the difference they make to the original essay.

Introduction – checklist

1. Have I interpreted the implications thoroughly?
2. Have I missed anything?
3. Have I outlined the structure, the map, of my essay clearly?

Structure – checklist

1. Have I arranged the material logically?
2. Is there fluency between each paragraph?
3. Have I omitted transitions where they are needed?
4. Do my topic sentences introduce the subject of each paragraph clearly?

Arguments – checklist

1. Does each argument develop out of the map of the essay?
2. Has each argument been developed clearly?
3. Have they been developed in enough depth?
4. Have I dealt with all the implications identified in the introduction?

Evidence – checklist

1. Is there enough?
2. Is there too much?
3. Is it relevant?
4. Is it specific?
5. Do I *show* rather than *tell*?

Conclusion – checklist

1. Do the introduction and conclusion relate to each other?
2. Have I avoided raising new issues?
3. Have I delivered on the promises I made in the introduction?