

## Roncoroni's Literary Analysis Content Checklist

**Introduction:** Only check off the following components if they are clearly present in the introduction. When possible, identify these components in the paper itself – by underlining them – or on the subsequent lines.

\_\_\_ begins with a hook (interesting opening)

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\_\_\_ overview of topic

\_\_\_ clear thesis statement

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\_\_\_ thesis has an argument for a position

\_\_\_ thesis is the last sentence in the intro

**Body Paragraphs:** Only check off the following components if they are clearly present in the body paragraph. When possible, identify these components in the paper itself – by underlining them – or on the subsequent lines – by copying the sentences. Complete this specific portion of the checklist for each body paragraph.

\_\_\_ contains a topic sentence

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\_\_\_ topic sentence relates back to thesis/argument

\_\_\_ contains parenthetical citations

\_\_\_ contains parenthetical citations from more than one source

\_\_\_ contains explanation and/or analysis of research

\_\_\_ ideas flow within the paragraph (use of transitions)

\_\_\_ all of the information in the paragraph relates back to the topic sentence and thesis statement

\_\_\_ information and phrasing avoids redundancy

**Conclusion:** Only check off the following components if they are clearly present in the conclusion. When possible, identify these components in the paper itself – by underlining them – or on the subsequent lines.

\_\_\_ restates the thesis statement

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\_\_\_ restatement of thesis is the first sentence in conclusion

\_\_\_ restates main ideas

\_\_\_ provides reader with reasons for why the topic is important, how the text impacts the reader, and/or what repercussions this text has on society (not previously stated in paper)

\_\_\_ ends with a clincher (memorable closing line)

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\_\_\_ clincher relates back to hook in the introduction