## Appendix 15 Checklist for a Series of Opinion Paragraphs

Name:		
Rea	ading	
I h	ave	
	read my sources carefully;	
	used appropriate sources effectively;	
	taken notes on key points.	
Planning		
I have		
	determined my opinion on the topic and considered my reasons for thinking this way;	
	planned my response with rough notes.	
Wr	riting	
I have		
	written a series of paragraphs in complete sentences;	
	written an introductory paragraph that clearly presents my opinion; my opinion is my main idea;	
	written at least three body paragraphs, including sufficient and relevant supporting details (proof, facts, examples, etc.) that explain and give reasons for my opinion;	
	written a concluding paragraph that summarizes my opinion;	
	shown an understanding of concepts;	
	conveyed an effective tone through word choice and level of language;	
	used connecting words and linking sentences;	
	organized my ideas clearly so my reader can follow and understand my opinion.	
Re	vising and Editing	
I have		
	used the stages of the writing process to revise my work;	
	created opinion paragraphs that will appeal to my audience;	
	created opinion paragraphs that meet my purpose;	
	checked my grammar, spelling, and punctuation;	
	had a peer edit my work.	
Pro	oducing	
I h	I have	
	neatly and clearly written or typed my final copy;	
	chosen an appropriate title.	