**Writing – The 11 point paragraph**

If you follow this format you should be able to create a perfect paragraph!!

Title: (Remember it should be specific and reflect the dominant impression of the paragraph – BE CREATIVE)

1. TOPIC SENTENCE – your topic sentence needs to state the dominant impression of the paragraph. Think of this sentence as an umbrella over the entire paragraph – all points must fall underneath this ‘umbrella’
2. Point #1
3. Supporting Detail of point #1 – can be a statement or quotation that is a true support of the point
4. Proof of detail of point #1 – answers why or how the detail supports the point
5. Point #2
6. Supporting Detail of point #2
7. Proof of detail of Point #2
8. Point #3
9. Supporting Detail of point #3
10. Proof of detail of point #3
11. Clincher Sentence – conclude the paragraph effectively restating the dominant impression/main idea in a new and interesting way

Revision Checklist

* Does my topic sentence state the purpose of the composition?
* Did I select three distinct points that support my topic?
* Did my supporting detail support the appropriate point?
* Did I prove my point/detail (answer why or how)?
* Did I connect my points with transition words or phrases?
* Did I restate the topic sentence in a new and interesting clincher?
* Did I eliminate all contractions and abbreviations?
* Did I use proper documentation when I used quotations (e.g. The page number in parenthesis after the quotation)?
* Did I vary my sentence structures so that they are interesting and not repetitive?
* Did I check my spelling?
* Are my sentences complete?
* Did I give my composition an appropriate title?