

## Jury Report Checklist

### Introductory Paragraph

- Does it have an attention getter?
- Does it mention the author, the title of the work, a short background of the work?
- Does it have a complete, three-part jury finding (thesis statement) on who or what is found guilty?

### Developmental (Body) Paragraphs

- Does each paragraph have a clear topic sentence that relates to one part of the jury finding?
- Does each paragraph have at least three concrete details (facts from story or quotes) and each detail has at least two commentary sentences?
- Does the final body paragraph focus on the character or element that is most at fault for the deaths of Romeo and Juliet?

### Conclusion Paragraph

- Does it restate the jury finding?
- Does it show what the writer has learned?
- Does it come to a satisfying closure?

### Final Editing - The following have been checked:

- Present tense used throughout essay
- Limited personal pronouns (“We, the jury..” is acceptable, but not “I” or “me”)
- No contractions
- No fragments or run-on sentences
- Correct spelling
- “Be” verbs used sparingly
- Subjects and verbs agree; pronouns and antecedents agree (and antecedents are clear)
- Modified MLA essay format used (double-spaced, etc.)
- References to lines in the play are formatted correctly (act.scene.lines) Example (I.ii.5-7) = Act 1, Scene ii, lines 5-7