

Young Author's Revising Questions

Name _____ Date _____

Answering these revision questions will help you improve your rough drafts.

1. Does the beginning grab or hook the reader's attention?
2. Are there any unanswered questions? Did I answer WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY, AND HOW?
3. Can I substitute a more interesting word for a boring one?
4. Can I add more information to amplify a thought or idea?
5. Is there a statement that needs more explanation with reasons, details, or examples?
6. Do my readers need more description to be able to picture what I'm writing about?
7. Do most of my sentences start with different beginnings?
8. Is there a fresher, more interesting way to say something?
9. Did I use similes, metaphors, strong verbs, specific emotion words, sensory words, onomatopoeia, or dialogue to make my writing colorful and enjoyable for my readers?
10. Does every sentence focus on the topic?
11. Did I use transitional phrases and words between thoughts and ideas?
12. Does the ending bring this piece to a smooth finish?

