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### Patriotism Essay Pre-grading Checklist

<b>Introduction:</b>	
Attention Grabbing Beginning (Quote, Thought-provoking question...)	
Personal Definition of Patriotism	
Article Introduction(s) (Type of text, Title, Author, and Summary)	
Introduction of three main idea—ways to show patriotism	
Thesis Statement at the end	
Use of at least 2-3 transitional words	

<b>Body Paragraph #1</b>	
Topic Sentence for First Patriotic Idea with Transitional Element	
Follow-up to Topic Sentence	
Text Evidence Cited Correctly (Quotation Marks)	
Explanation of Text Evidence	
Specific Examples/Personal Experience/Explanation	
Closing Sentence	
Use of 2-3 transitional words	

<b>Body Paragraph #2</b>	
Topic Sentence for Second Patriotic Idea with Transitional Element	
Follow-up to Topic Sentence	
Text Evidence Cited Correctly (Quotation Marks)	
Explanation of Text Evidence	
Specific Examples/Personal Experience/Explanation	
Closing Sentence	
Use of 2-3 transitional words	

<b>Body Paragraph #3</b>	
Topic Sentence for Third Patriotic Idea with Transitional Element	
Follow-up to Topic Sentence	
Text Evidence Cited Correctly (Quotation Marks)	
Explanation of Text Evidence	
Specific Examples/Personal Experience/Explanation	
Closing Sentence	
Use of 2-3 transitional words	

<b>Conclusion:</b>	
Restated Thesis Statement	
General Statement/Quote about Patriotism	
Reminder of Patriotic Ideas	
Warning Sentence—What could happen if people stopped being patriotic?	
Closing/Final Thought	