

CHECKLIST: EXPLANATION

Features of Explanation Writing

Does it have a **title** to tell you what the writing is about?

Is there a general **opening statement**?

Is it written in a series of logical steps?

Do the steps continue until the explanation is complete?

Is it written in simple present tense?

Does it use **time connectives**?
e.g. then, next, after a while, etc.

Does it use **causal connectives**?
e.g. because, so, this causes, this results in, therefore... etc.

Are there **diagrams** or **illustrations** to help with the explanation? (*Optional*)