**Analytical Essay Framework Checklist**

**Introduction framework**

Contextual sentence

Thesis statement - MAIN ARGUMENT using key words from the question, write a one sentence argument which explains the text’s purpose and how readers are positioned to respond (try to use a specific emotional/social response)

‘TAG’ and description – title, author, genre plus a brief description of what the text is about

CLT – explain a theory you have studied and how it relates to the text.

Intertextuality – explain similarities between texts that you have studied and the text you are writing about (think plot lines, characters, symbolism, mythology, etc.)

How? Mention the three key points you will discuss in the essay (that will become the focus for the body paragraphs).

**Body Paragraphs**

Topic sentence

Reason for the technique/convention’s relevance in the text and definition of the technique

Evidence – description of the technique in the text plus a quote from the text.

Explanation of how it is used in this text – intertextuality from other texts

Summary – tie the use of this convention into your thesis statement.

**Conclusion framework**

Summarise body paragraph topic sentences

Restate thesis – use connectives “For this reason then ….”