

# The Editing *Hit List*

- Make sure everything is in line with the thesis
- Check em-dashes or commas
- Cut passive voice
- Cut adjectives and adverbs
- Cut transitions and disclaimers
- Cut thought verbs like, "I think/thought" or "I wonder/wondered"
- Check the length of your sentences
- Check the start of your sentences
- Cut unnecessary uses of "that"
- Use a more specific word than "thing"
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