# PROFESSIONAL PROOFREADING CHECKLIST

If you want to proofread your paper on your own, you should have a look at our professional proofreading checklist. By following our suggestions, you will be able to boost your proofreading skills:

## Style

- Is every sentence in the paper accurate and clear?
- Is my essay free from passive voice constructions?
- Are all sentences in my paper connected properly?
- Did I use vivid language?
- Did I use proper in-text citations?
- Is my paper interesting and creative?
- Is the tone of my paper formal enough?

#### Grammar

- Are there any sentence fragments in my paper?
- Do all my verbs agree with nouns?
- Did I use the proper pronoun case in each sentence?
- Are all the modifying phrases, words, and clauses placed properly?



• Is the verb tense consistent throughout the text?

### **Word Choice**

- Are all the words put in appropriate places?
- Did I avoid jargon in my paper?
- Can some of my words be substituted by more precise synonyms?
- Can I eliminate the unnecessary adverbs and adjectives?
- Am I aware of the connotations of all words used in my paper?
- Is the verb tense consistent throughout the text?

## Formatting/Mechanics

- Is my paper double-spaced?
- Did I spell each word correctly?
- Did I follow the common rules for comma use?
- Did I avoid unnecessary abbreviations?

