Student Writing Guidelines

Use this checklist to ensure that you have included all of the required elements in your essay.

☐ I introduced and defined “adaptation.”

☐ I clearly explain why animals must be adapted to an environment in order to survive in that environment, including examples of three animals, their habitats, and the relationship between the needs and characteristics of each.

☐ I included a labeled illustration of each of the three animals described, showing their adaptation(s).

☐ All of the information I presented is relevant to the relationship between adaptations and environments.

☐ I used information from “Winter is on the Way…” to explain the relationship between animal adaptations and their environments in detail.

☐ I used information from the Bernard Family Hall of North American Mammals to explain animal adaptations and their environments in detail.

☐ I included a conclusion at the end.

☐ I proofread my essay for grammar and spelling errors.