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Research Paper Workout Checklist

3. Endurance Exercises

- ☐ Generate topic sentences that reflect main points in outline/plan
- ☐ Properly introduce and explain all paraphrased and quoted material
- ☐ Cite all paraphrased and directly quoted material

4. Cool Down

- ☐ Give yourself time between writing and proofreading
- ☐ Reread your assignment sheet
- ☐ Read paper out loud
- ☐ Edit for grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, and clarity

1. Warm Up/Stretching

- ☐ Remember that research is a process of
 - investigating topics
 - evaluating sources
 - noticing relationships between documents
- ☐ Determine type of research paper assigned

2. Strength Exercises

- ☐ Begin gathering sources
 - Start researching broadly
 - Narrow your focus
- Develop thesis statement that meets the assignment
- ☐ Create outline or plan for paper

More resources:

Purdue Online Writing Lab

http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/section/2/

UNCG Academic Tips

http://www.academictips.org/acad/atipsforw ritingresearchpaper.html

Citation Machine

http://citationmachine.net