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*Things Fall Apart* Body Paragraph 1 Check List and Rubric

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| **MLA Format** | * Heading is correct * Paragraph is double spaced * Margins are one inch * The font is 12pt size Times New Roman * The paper is left aligned * The title is centered and in the same font (Times New Roman and 12pt size) * There are no extra line breaks/spaces on the paper * Title of novel is in italics: *Things Fall Apart* not underlined ~~Things Fall Apart~~ * Last name and page number appear in the header of the paper |
| **Topic Sentence** | * The **TS** has a clear subject that states the two values the paragraph will address * There is a clear argument that states that the values are the foundation for the Ibo way of life * The focus states two Ibo traditions |
| **Context** | * The **CON** introduces the subject of the concrete detail. This can include: * Who is speaking? * Who is being spoken to? * Who/what is being spoken about? * The subject is introduced with details that relate it to the values stated in the topic sentence |
| **Concrete Details** | * **There are 2 CDs** * Integration is correct. * Quotation marks are used correctly. * Page number is in parenthesis. * Punctuation is correct * The **CDs** are directly related to the traditions stated in the **TS** |
| **Commentary** | * **There are two sentences of CM for each CD** * The **CMs** clearly explain the significance of the concrete detail and how it relates to the values stated in the topic sentence. * The **CMs** clearly explain how the concrete detail proves those values are the foundation for the Ibo way of life |
| **Transitions** | * **TC** between CM and CON is clear |
| **Concluding Sentence** | * **CS** wraps up the paragraph by clearly stating how the values and the foundation for the Ibo way of life and does this by doing more than just restate the TS |