

BME Story Checker Answer Key

There is no single correct answer. A strong peer check should include:

- Clear evidence that the reviewer checked for **all three parts**: beginning, middle, end.
- Notes that mention specific parts of the partner's story.
- A suggestion that helps improve clarity, structure, or flow.

Teacher's Guide

- Explain that peer feedback helps writers strengthen story structure by seeing what readers notice.
- Model how to give **specific**, **kind**, and **helpful** feedback.
- Encourage students to refer to the checklist language when discussing their partner's story.
- Differentiation ideas:
 - Give sentence starters such as **The beginning works because...** or **The ending could be clearer if...**
 - Offer a shortened checklist for students who need fewer items at once.
- Engagement ideas:
 - Pair students randomly to practice giving feedback to someone new.
 - Use quick conferences so students can read their partner's suggestion aloud.
- Extension ideas:
 - After revising, have students repeat the peer check with a new partner to see improvement.