



Higher Order Concerns VS. Lower Order Concerns



Higher Order Concerns

Higher Order Concerns address the “bigger picture” components of a written assignment.



Thesis focus & clarity



Attention to audience and purpose



Logical flow & organization



Missing information / thoughts



Redundancy, extraneous information



Enhancing development of ideas, rationale, plot, etc.

Lower Order Concerns

Lower Order Concerns address the details and minor changes; they are often referred to as editing.

ABC Spelling



Grammar



Punctuation



Citation accuracy



Sentence structure



Use of strong verbs & nouns



Word choice