

Substantive Editing Checklist

Use this checklist when writing and editing to make sure your content delivers on the big picture:

This web content has substantial value for its audience and purpose.
This is an appropriate amount of focused content for one web page.
This content is unique within the company.
Adequate context is provided, appropriate to the audience, to ensure that users can fully understand and act on content.
It is organized in a cohesive and logical structure and sequence.
Headings are in place to support structure, sequence, and clarity.
This content is structured according to content requirements for its content type and template.
The most important information is presented first and most prominently.
Information is presented in the most effective format. Consideration has been given to using images, charts, graphs, maps, tables, video, bullet lists, numbered lists, call-outs, captions, or other meaningful content and visual elements.
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