College Essay Draft #1

PEER Review

1. On your Google Doc, write two questions/concerns you have about this first draft (either in the comments or at the top of the draft). BE SPECIFIC.
2. In a groups of THREE, share your draft, essay topic or question as well as the requirements, then have ANOTHER MEMBER OF YOUR GROUP read your essay aloud. (Take turns reading please)
3. Ask your peers the questions you wrote/share with them your goals for this draft. As someone reads each draft, record your critique – both strengths and weaknesses on the doc in the suggestion/comments section.
4. As a peer reviewer, try to be as specific as you can with suggestions. Imagine you are a college admissions officer. What would improve this essay? Answer/address the two concerns/goals that the writer has asked of you – AGAIN BE SPECIFIC IN YOUR CRITIQUE!!
5. Switch papers within your group and have someone reread the essay silently to check for grammar/mechanics or other written errors. EDIT DIRECTLY ON THE DRAFT.
6. At the end of this exercise, you should walk away with an edited first draft as well GOOGLE DOC with specific suggestions for revision.

For the final essay, see the checklist that you will be evaluated on.