Webpage Content Template

Pre-Writing Questions:

- What is the goal of this page?
- Which audience/persona is this page targeting?
- Which phase of their buying cycle is this page addressing?
- Based on the topic you're covering, what are the 3 primary benefits you want to communicate?
- What keywords and phrases do you need to include for SEO?

Page Headline / Title (should be <h1>, clear and catchy, include primary keyword/phrase if possible)

First paragraph – What is the ONE thing you want the reader to understand after they've read the copy? This ONE thing should be captured in the first couple sentences followed by a summarization of the benefits on the rest of the page. This paragraph should also include the payoff (linked call-to-action).

Bolded Sub-Headline (Benefit #1) (should be <h2>, summarize the first main benefit discussed in the following paragraph, and include keyword/phrase if possible)

Image that adds visual context (add alt tag with keywords, ex: alt="website content template image")

[Content block] back up the main benefit with supporting point.

- May use bullets to
- Highlight some features or
- Additional points.

Bolded Sub-Headline (Benefit #2) (should be <h2>, summarize the second main benefit discussed in the following paragraph, and include keyword/phrase if possible)

[Content block] back up the main benefit with supporting point.

- 1. May use a numbered list
- 2. To highlight information
- 3. In an easy-to read, step-by-step format.

Bolded Sub-Headline (Benefit #3) (should be <h2>, summarize the third main benefit discussed in the following paragraph, and include keyword/phrase if possible)

[Content block] back up the main benefit with supporting point.

Bolded, Linked Call-to-Action Line (provide clear direction as to where the reader should go next)

Post-Writing Checklist:

☐ Is the page content 250 to 500 words?
☐ Is the headline clear and catchy?
☐ Is this piece of content relevant to your target audience/persona? Does it address at least one of their problems and provoke them to take the next step (call-to-action)?
☐ Have you used short sentences and paragraphs and broken up paragraphs with subheadlines?
☐ Have you stated your main point in the first couple sentences?
☐ Are you using a lot of industry jargon? (answer should be "no" here in most cases)
☐ Is the content conversational? Are you addressing the reader as "you"?

☐ Is the piece free of typos and grammatical errors? (hint: have someone else read it)

☐ Is it interesting?

☐ Is there a clear call to action?