

PURPOSE

The conclusion paragraph rounds off your essay. It should **remind** the reader of your main ideas, **summarise** your key points and end with a **final thought** or recommendation.

THE 4 KEY PARTS

- 1** **RESTATE YOUR MAIN IDEA**
Rephrase your thesis in different words.
- 2** **SUMMARISE KEY POINTS**
Briefly highlight your strongest arguments or ideas.
- 3** **FINAL THOUGHT**
Give a deeper insight, implication or recommendation.
- 4** **CLOSING SENTENCE**
End with impact. Leave the reader with something to think about.



A powerful conclusion brings your essay together and leaves the reader thinking.

EXAMPLE CONCLUSION (ANNOTATED)

- 1** → In conclusion, technology and social media have a significant impact on young people's lives.
- 2** → This essay has highlighted how they improve communication, expand access to information and create learning opportunities.
- 3** → However, it has also shown the challenges, including distractions, mental health concerns and the spread of misinformation. Therefore, it is clear that while technology offers many benefits, it must be used wisely and with balance.
- 4** → By making informed choices and taking regular breaks, young people can enjoy the advantages of technology while protecting their well-being and building a healthier future.

WHAT IT DOES

- Restates the main idea in new words.
- Summarises the key points.
- Provides a final comment with insight or recommendation.
- Ends with impact and leaves the reader thinking.

HOW TO WRITE A STRONG CONCLUSION

1 RESTATE YOUR MAIN IDEA

- Rephrase your thesis.
- Do not copy it word for word.

2 SUMMARISE KEY POINTS

- Mention your 2-4 strongest ideas.
- Keep it brief.

3 FINAL THOUGHT

- What are the broader implications?
- What is your advice or recommendation?

4 CLOSING SENTENCE

- End with a powerful statement, question or call to action.

STRONG vs WEAK CONCLUSIONS

WEAK ❌

- In conclusion, I think this is a good topic.
- That's all I wanted to say.
- Thanks for reading.

- ❌ Restates everything in detail
- ❌ No new insight
- ❌ No impact
- ❌ Too casual / informal

STRONG ✅

- Rephrases the main idea
- Summarises key arguments
- Offers insight or recommendation
- Ends powerfully

- ✅ Clear and focused
- ✅ Leaves the reader thinking
- ✅ Shows understanding and control

USEFUL PHRASES



RESTATE

- In conclusion, ...
- To conclude, ...
- Overall, it is clear that ...



SUMMARISE

- Overall, this essay has shown ...
- The main points are ...
- To summarise, ...



FINAL THOUGHT

- Therefore, ...
- As a result, ...
- This shows that ...
- It is important to ...



CLOSING SENTENCE

- In the end, ...
- Ultimately, ...
- The future depends on ...
- Let us make the right choices ...

CONCLUSION CHECKLIST

- ✅ I have restated my main idea in different words.
- ✅ I have summarised my key points briefly.
- ✅ I have given a final thought, insight or recommendation.
- ✅ I have ended with a strong closing sentence.
- ✅ My conclusion is 4-6 sentences long.
- ✅ I have used formal language and varied sentence starters.

COMMON MISTAKES

- ❌ Introducing new arguments or evidence.
- ❌ Making the conclusion too long.
- ❌ Repeating the introduction.
- ❌ Using phrases like "I hope you enjoyed reading this essay".
- ❌ Ending without impact.



CHALLENGE: IMPROVE IT!

Rewrite the weak conclusion below into a strong one using the 4 key parts.

In conclusion, social media is used by many teenagers. There are good and bad things about it. It is important to be careful when using it.

- 1** _____
- 2** _____
- 3** _____
- 4** _____



Your conclusion is your last chance to impress. Make it count!



A GREAT CONCLUSION ≠ AN END. IT'S A POWERFUL FINAL MESSAGE.

Remind. Summarise. Reflect. Inspire.

