



Formal Concluding Statements

A good formal concluding statement reiterates the main idea or topic of an essay. It ties the essay together by both summarizing the information that has come before and articulating the implications of your main idea.

DIRECTIONS: Use the organizer below to brainstorm ways you might conclude your essay.

- In the **Given** column, reiterate things you have already told the reader. For example, the main idea of your essay, or a summary of your main points.
- In the **Then/Therefore** column, articulate the implications of what you have already told the reader, or draw your own conclusions about the information you have provided.

Given:	Then/Therefore: