



Formal Concluding Statements

DIRECTIONS: Answer the questions below about your essay. Then reread your draft essay carefully. Are your answers to the questions below in your conclusion? Is your formal concluding statement likely to stay with your reader?

The Aim or Ideal	My Concluding Statement
Your conclusion synthesizes the thoughts you have shared in your paper.	
Your conclusion demonstrates the importance of your ideas;.	
Your conclusion guides your reader to a new way of looking at your topic.	
Your conclusion makes a good positive impression and ends on a positive note.	
Your conclusion considers broader issues, makes new connections, and/or articulates the implications of your findings.	
Your conclusion gives your readers a takeaway that changes the way they see things or gives them a new appreciation for your topic.	