

3. The Conclusion

Conclusions are often the most difficult part of an essay, and many writers feel that they have nothing left to say after having written the paper. A writer needs to keep in mind that the conclusion is often what a reader remembers best. Your conclusion should be the best part of your paper.

A conclusion should:

1. Summarize your position (thesis statement) and three main points in a different way.
2. Insert an emotional appeal if possible
3. Urge the reader to agree with your opinion.

Strategies:

Call to Action: the writer implores the audience to change

Offer a Solution: the writer suggests some possibilities to resolve the problem posed

Make a Prediction: similar to a startling statement, this can be a warning or an encouragement.

