

## Guided Notes

- **Conclusion**

- The **conclusion** is the paragraph that bring a speech, essay, report, or book to a satisfying and logical \_\_\_\_\_. It is also called the concluding paragraph or closing.

- The conclusion will contain the following:

1. Restate thesis in a \_\_\_\_\_ way
2. Why does it matter?
3. Final thoughts

- **Thesis**

- Restate the thesis from your introduction in fresh words. If you just copy-and-paste the exact thesis, you will sound like a \_\_\_\_\_. Instead, use new words to state the same idea.
- One successful formula for this: When one considers (body #1 topic) and (body #2 topic), it's clear that...

- **Why does it matter?**

- Leave behind the novel/topic/issue and explain the bigger reason why the reader should \_\_\_\_\_.

- **Final Thoughts**

- The last sentence should leave the reader nodding in \_\_\_\_\_ and feeling happy he/she bothered to read your essay. Stuck? Use a **hook** strategy.

- You can think of your conclusion like a triangle. It starts out very \_\_\_\_\_ and becomes more and more \_\_\_\_\_.