

Writing Conclusions

As with introductions, conclusions are varied in their length and composition. However, a good conclusion will remind you of the key points covered by the essay and leave you satisfied that the writer has left no loose threads. Good conclusions achieve this by:

1. Making clear links back to the essay question.
2. Reminding the reader of the main steps of the argument.
3. Summarising the findings.
4. Discussing the implications of what has been discovered/decided.
5. Indicating the place of the research in the wider field of knowledge.
6. Admitting what has not been done and explaining the reasons for this.
7. Looking ahead and/or recommending profitable further research.

**Bearing these points in mind,
you might like to work through the task provided.**