

# Conclusions

## WHAT TO DO:

- Reiterate your thesis
- “Zoom out”—discuss your topic within a larger context
- Consider the implications of your topic
- Ask a question that provokes a personal response from the reader
- Suggest ways that your topic can be further developed by future scholars/researchers

**Note:** You do not need to utilize all of these tips at once. You should choose only those that are relevant to your paper. Consult your tutor to decide which tips are most appropriate for the type of paper you are writing.

## WHAT NOT TO DO:

- Rephrase everything you said in your introduction
- Introduce new information

## SAMPLE QUESTIONS:

- What should the reader take away from your paper?
- What are the broader implications of your topic?
- How is society impacted by the ideas discussed in your paper?
- Why should the reader agree with your argument?
- What changes will occur if your argument is adapted?
- What changes will occur if your argument is *not* adapted?
- Are there any future research possibilities?

