A Strong Finish

Find how a final paragraph wraps up an idea.

C.2.1.e "Provide a concluding section."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle the words that show where the ending begins. Underline the sentence in the ending that tells what the class learned.

The Paper Bridge

1. Our class wanted to make a bridge from one sheet of paper. We put two books on a table with a gap between them. First, we laid the paper flat across the gap.
2. The flat paper bent when we set a small toy car on it. Next, we folded the paper back and forth like a fan. The folded bridge held the car without bending!
3. In the end, folding helped our paper bridge stay strong. We learned that changing the shape of paper can change what it can hold. Now we can try other shapes when we build with paper.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which paragraph is the ending? What words help you know?

2. What does the ending say the class learned?

3. How does the last sentence help finish the writing?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Think of a time you made, fixed, or tried something. Write a two-sentence ending that tells what happened and what you learned.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle the words that show where the ending begins. Underline the sentence in the ending that tells what the class learned. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which paragraph is the ending? What words help you know?	**Paragraph 3 is the ending. It begins with "In the end."**
2	What does the ending say the class learned?	**Changing the shape of paper can change what it can hold.**
3	How does the last sentence help finish the writing?	**It tells what the class might try next: building with other paper shapes.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

My block tower stood up when I put the wide blocks on the bottom. I learned that a wide base can help a tower stay steady.

For the marking job, students should circle "In the end" and underline the sentence beginning "We learned." Accept other wording in the short answers if it explains how the final paragraph wraps up the bridge story.