

# End It Strong

Study how a writer ends an argument.

**3W1.d** "Provide a concluding statement or section."

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## 1 READ AND MARK \_\_\_\_\_ Read it twice

**YOUR JOB** Underline the concluding section, and circle the words that signal the ending of the argument.

### A Better Place to Drink

- ① Our school should add a small water bottle filling station near the playground. After running and playing, students often need a drink. The closest fountain is inside the building, so children must wait in a long line or ask to go indoors. A filling station would give students a quick place to refill bottles and return to play.
- ② A filling station can help students stay ready to learn. Drinking water helps the body work well, especially after active play. When students are thirsty, it can be hard to focus in class. Refillable bottles also make less trash than single-use plastic bottles. Our custodian already collects many empty bottles from the playground area each week.
- ③ For these reasons, our school should install a water bottle filling station by the playground. It would save time, help students get water after exercise, and cut down on plastic bottle trash. A station would be useful every school day, not just during a special event. The principal should consider adding one before next year begins.

## 2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 What claim does the concluding section restate?

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2 Name two benefits of the filling station from the concluding section.

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3 Which words signal that the writer is wrapping up the argument?

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4 What does the writer ask the principal to consider doing?

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## 3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write a two-sentence concluding section for this argument: Our school should add a covered bike rack near the front door because it would keep bikes dry and make pickup easier. Restate the claim and bring the argument to a close.

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**PART 1 • READ AND MARK**

Underline the concluding section, and circle the words that signal the ending of the argument. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

**PART 2 • ANSWERS**

| # | QUESTION                                                              | ANSWER                                                                                                           |
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| 1 | What claim does the concluding section restate?                       | <b>The school should install a water bottle filling station by the playground.</b>                               |
| 2 | Name two benefits of the filling station from the concluding section. | <b>Any two: it would save time, help students get water after exercise, or cut down on plastic bottle trash.</b> |
| 3 | Which words signal that the writer is wrapping up the argument?       | <b>For these reasons.</b>                                                                                        |
| 4 | What does the writer ask the principal to consider doing?             | <b>Adding a water bottle filling station before next year begins.</b>                                            |

**PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)**

For these reasons, our school should add a covered bike rack near the front door. It would keep bikes dry during rain and make pickup easier for students and families.

Accept answers that identify the final paragraph as the conclusion and accurately use its claim, benefits, signal words, and request. For Your Turn, accept two sentences that restate the bike-rack claim and end by connecting it to the given reasons.