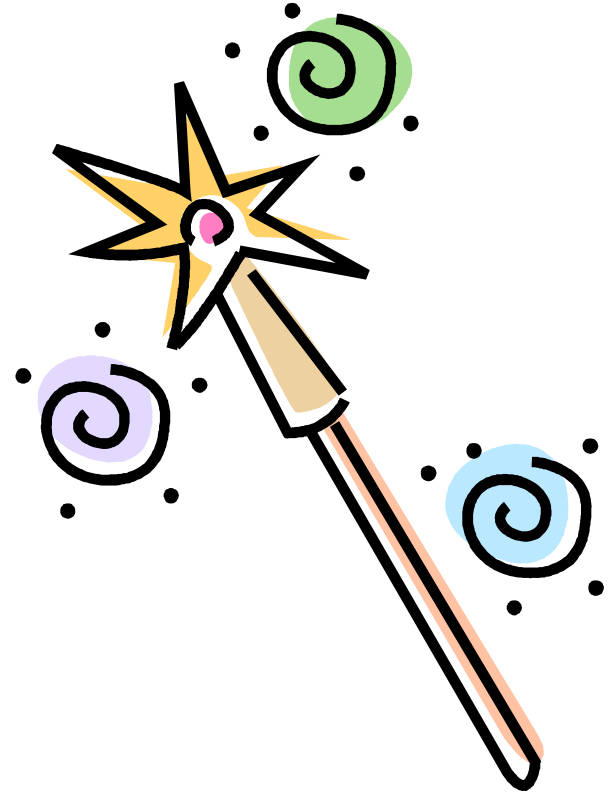


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Restate Thesis



- ▶ Sentence # 1
- ▶ Restate your thesis. Avoid being wordy. Use a sentence starter. Include your topic, the bias (if effect). You do not have to break out the three subpoints as in your original thesis.

Thesis Restatement: Example



► Sentence # 1 Examples

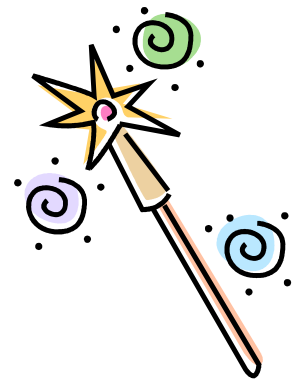
► In short, To recap, In summary, All in all,

In summary, alcohol use by teens can only lead to dire consequences, some **life-changing**, some even fatal.

All in all, acquiring integrity demands that one possess certain important **characteristics**, honesty, compassion, and morality.

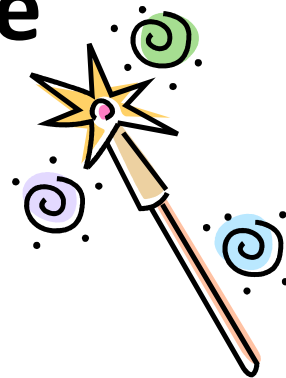
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- ▶ Sentence # 2
- ▶ **After** writing your thesis restatement, write your follow up sentence. Select a key word from sent. # 1. Use this word in the beginning of sentence # 2.



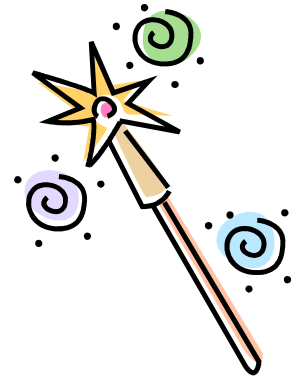
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- ▶ Sentences # 1 and 2 examples...
- ▶ In summary, alcohol use by teens can only lead to dire consequences, some **life-changing**, some even fatal.
- ▶ However, these life-changing effects may also teach you an important life lesson for the future.

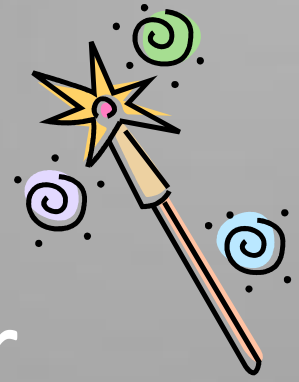


Ending Sentence: Learning how to use a strategy for this closing thought.

- ▶ **Sentence # 3**
- ▶ Select a **strategy** for the ending:
 - ▶ A prediction
 - ▶ A question
 - ▶ A relevant, appropriate quotation
 - ▶ A call to action



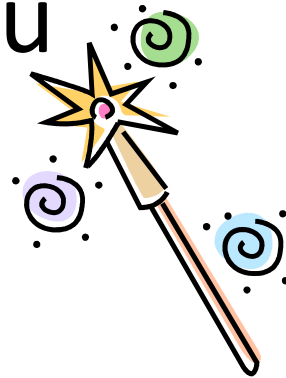
End With A Quotation



- ▶ A quotation that sums up your main point or that is particularly striking can make a strong ending.
- ▶ As William Reeves said, “It may take many friends to save a life, but only one bottle to lose it.”

A Call for Action

- ▶ Ask your readers to take action, or offer a solution or recommendation connected to the topic.
- ▶ Columbus County, how long will you wait until our deaths number one too many? Starting today, how will you make a difference?

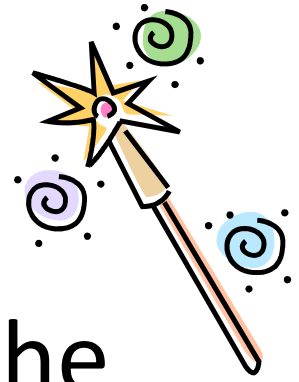


End With A Question



- ▶ A final question often prompts the reader to think further on the topic.
- ▶ Who among us has the courage to take a stand and make a difference?
- ▶ What ever will it take to save our children's lives? Even one more life is one too many.

End With A Prediction



- ▶ Speculate as to what might be in the future for your topic.
- ▶ Columbus County, I predict that we have to heart and determination to avoid losing even one more life. We will save our most precious possession, our children. Won't you join us?