**Name:** **English II Honors – Essay Structure**  
CONCLUSION- Begin with a transition, then restate (i.e. repeat differently) your thesis statement from the intro.  
  
  
  
Summarize the main points of your essay. Give each point one sentence maximum – it’s best to be concise here.  
  
  
  
  
  
  
Now the important part. Answer the question, SO WHAT? What should people to remember/think about/do?

**Content: DOES EACH SENTENCE LOGICALLY FOLLOW THE LAST? Does it connect to and develop the last idea?  
-If you did this right, it moves from thesis 🡪 ordered summary 🡪 commentary on summary 🡪 key thought  
Expression: DOES THE CONCLUSION SOUND LIKE AN AFTERTHOUGHT? Read aloud to see. Are you bored?   
-If you find your conclusion dull, it’s probably because your summaries sound robotic. Edit to liven them up.**