**The Concluding Sentence**

For single paragraph, especially long one, concluding sentence is helpful to the reader because:

1. it ingnals the end of the paragraph; and
2. It is a reminder of the important points.

Concluding sentence is commonly introduced by the following end-of-paragraph signals.

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| These are followed by a comma | These are not followed by a comma |
| Finally,  In conclusion,  In summary,  Therefore,  Thus,  As a result,  Indeed,  In brief,  In short, | We can see that ...  It is clear that ...  These examples show that ...  There can be no doubt that ...  The evidence suggests that ... |

A Model of Concluding Sentence

Synonyms

Synonyms, words that have the same basic meaning, do not always have the same emotional meaning. For example, the words *stingy* and *frugal* both mean “careful with money.” However, to call a person stingy is an insult, while the word frugal has a much more positive connotation. Similarly, a person wants to be slender but not skinny, and agressive but not pushy. Therefore, you should be careful in choosing words because many so-called synonyms are not really synonymous at all.

A Model of Concluding Sentence

Gold

Gold, a precious metal, is prized for two important characteristics. First of all, gold has a lustrous beauty that is resistant to corrosion. Therefore, it is suitable for jewellery, coins, and ornamental purposes. Gold never needs to be polished and will remain beautiful forever. For example, a Macedonian coin remains as untarnished today as the day it was minted twenty-three centuries ago. Another important characteristic of gold is its usefulness to industry and science. For many years, it has been used in hundreds of industrial applications. The most recent use of gold is in astronauts’ suits. Astronauts wear gold-plated heat shields for protection outside space ships. In conclusion, gold is treasured not only for its beauty but also for its utility.