CONCLUSIONS

A conclusion is your chance to remind the reader of your thesis idea by giving a final thought and bringing closure to the paper. Your conclusion must consist of only 3 sentences! Here are 5 methods of conclusion to impact your reader. The examples of concluding paragraphs are based on the essay "Problems of My Adolescence."

1. **Summary** - echos or reviews the main points of your thesis without using the exact, same words; it's the most common method of conclusion.

In summary, I'm glad that adolescence is a thing of the past. Now, as an adult, I can happily say that I look great, my family and I are allies, and I have a steady boyfriend. Life for me just couldn't be better!

2. Question(s) - appeals to your reader to think further about what you have written and maybe even to make a decision. It could also be simply rhetorical.

All in all, who said the teen years are the best years of your like? Probably a loving parent trying to ease his or her child's pain form a once so familiar and difficult past. I'm just glad, however, that I am not a teen any more.

3. **Prediction** - states what will or may happen in the future.

In conclusion, I'm glad I'm not a teen anymore! I think that if I had to be an adolescent all over again, I would go insane. Yes, I may be getting older, but I'm a lot happier along the way.

4. **Recommendation** - suggests a course of action to take or what should be done about a situation or problem.

In closing, regardless of the stage of life, one thing's for certain — you will always encounter problems. As an adult, I've just learned to view them differently. Now, I focus on the solutions instead of the problems, or I tell myself that things could be worse, and maybe those are things you can try too.

5. Quote - again, it lets you add someone else's voice to your own thus strengthening your paper.

Therefore, I'm glad I'm not a teen anymore. Even though my father would always say, "problems always appear big when incompetent men are working on them," he was right. Because I've gotten better at solving my problems, he can't stop telling me how smart I am. Thanks Dad!