Conclusion Paragraph FCAs

FCA 1: The conclusion connects the reader back to the introduction. / 3pts.

FCA 2: The conclusion doesn’t simply restate the topic sentences or the thesis statement. / 2 pts.

FCA 3: The conclusion expands the thesis to prompt further action, thought, or personal connections to the topic (clincher). / 5 pts.

Transition:

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| **Connection back to the introductory thoughts within the context of the introduction:**  **As seen within the novel and through research, alcohol abuse within our society has several negative consequences, such as the ability of alcohol to virtually take over a person’s life and set them on a path that ends in heartache and self-abuse.** |
| **Restatement of the thesis in a fresh new way:**  **(The novel) showed (the character) going through several trials and tribulations because of his/her alcohol abuse. Some, such as her “blackout” experience, accurately corresponded to what reality and research shows to be true. Others, such as the effects her alcohol abuse had on her relationships and the experience of her recovery, did not mirror what one would expect to see in reality. Although, in both cases, the novel and in research, no effect of alcohol abuse was pleasant.** |
| **Clincher: expansion of the thesis to prompt further action, thought, or personal connections to the topic.**  **Considering the consequences of (the character’s) actions and what research shows, why would anyone want to make the decision to risk his/her future or put him/herself through a series of traumatic events all for the momentary thrill of a night of poor decision making?** |