Creating an Introduction and Conclusion for *A Christmas Carol* Essay

**Introduction**

Lead: Remember to look at the handout and write an interesting lead.

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Transition (Start with a transitional word. Use key words or ideas from the lead and your thesis to connect them. Remember to include the title of the story, the author, and a *short* summary of the story.):

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Thesis (This is the one you wrote last week for homework.):

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**Conclusion** (Aim for a minimum of 5 sentences.)

Restate your thesis statement (Find key ideas to say it differently.):

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Transition from the narrow thesis to the broader end statement (Start with a transitional word. Use key words or ideas from the lead and thesis.):

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End statement (Refer to your lead with specific words or ideas.):

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