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| **R**estated Thesis: Rewrite your thesis using different words altogether. This will show your reader that you plan to close your essay. There is NO NEED to state the obvious “In Conclusion” “To sum up”, etc. |
| **R**eview: Briefly restate your main supporting points. Briefly = 2-3 sentences |
| **F**inal Thought: Your closing thought should leave the reader thinking. Some writers just want to be done writing, and this shows in the lackluster final sentence that ends up disappointing the reader. Don’t let this happen to you. You may be tired of writing, but you must preserver and end the essay with POWER. Here are three strategies to help combat writing fatigue:   * **ECHO**: Return to your attention-getter. If it was a quote, comment on the quote. If it was a definition, perhaps explain how your paper has revealed a deeper meaning of the word you defined. If it was a series of questions, provide the answer. Do not simply restate your attention-getter * **WARNING:** Your essay explored an issue that Bradbury presented as a warning through his novel. What warning would you offer the reader, if (s)he does not consider the evidence you’ve provided? * **PREDICTION**: Bradbury presented his vision of the future through the novel. In much the same way, end your essay by explaining how you envision our future if we continue on our current path. |
| Restated Thesis:  Technology has helped us become more connected than ever, yet ironically, an element of disconnect clouds our relationships. |
| Review: (2-3 Sentences)  We have shallow conversations that don’t allow us to truly understand other people’s ideas and feelings, which ultimately leave many feeling lonely and unimportant. To complicate the issue, we may think, because we have so many “friends”, that we are flawed individuals. Something must be wrong with the person who has so many friends, but is not fulfilled by these friendships. |
| Final Thought: (ECHO)  Marshall Davis Jones voiced his concern about this demoralizing aspect of our technological use; it’s sad that laughter, with its potential to bring about joy, has been replaced by a ringtone that brings about silence. |