Unit 2 Research Project Part 6 - Conclusion

- 1. **Presenting the last word on the issues you raised in your paper**. Just as the introduction gives a first impression to your reader, the conclusion offers a chance to leave a lasting impression. Do this, for example, by highlighting key findings in your analysis or result section or by noting important or unexpected implications applied to practice.
- 2. Summarizing your thoughts and conveying the larger significance of your study. The conclusion is an opportunity to succinctly answer [or in some cases, to re-emphasize] the "So What?" question by placing the study within the context of how your research advances past research about the topic.
- 3. **Identifying how a gap in the literature has been addressed**. The conclusion can be where you describe how a previously identified gap in the literature [described in your literature review section] has been filled by your research.
- 4. **Demonstrating the importance of your ideas**. The conclusion offers you the opportunity to elaborate on the impact and significance of your findings.
- 5. **Introducing possible new or expanded ways of thinking about the research problem**. This does not refer to introducing new information [which should be avoided], but to offer new insight and creative approaches for framing or contextualizing the research problem based on the results of your study.
- 6. **Explain whether further research should be done and why.** If you feel that this conclusion is definitive, explain why.
 - 1-2 pages (must be typed, 12pt font, double spaced)
 - Turned in as one document on turnitin.com
 - Due December 14th (15th for B Day)