



NOW YOU TRY: WRITE THE FINAL CODA

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A final coda is a workhorse of a scene, so a little housekeeping is needed to make sure it provides a satisfying conclusion to your novel. Make a list of everything you want the ending to accomplish.



NOTES

ELEMENTS OF A CODA	WHAT YOU WANT YOUR CODA TO INCLUDE
Fills the reader in on what happened since the climactic scene	
Ties up loose ends	
Ends subplots	
Deliberately leaves subplots dangling	
Communicates the protagonist's feelings about the resolution	