

CONCLUDING SENTENCE

One example of this, he says, is television. When television became the dominant medium in the 1950s, it changed the way families interacted. Family members began to sit in front of the TV to watch rather than face each other to talk. The people on the television spoke, and the TV viewers listened. In this one-way type of communication, only the people on TV had power. *Only they had a voice.*

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According to Wesch, activities such as the role-play exercise help prepare students to be active and responsible members of society. "I ask [students] to think not about what new media was designed for," he says, "but how they can [use] it for something else." A great example, he believes, is social media. *It was created to help friends connect, but now it also allows people to share and collaborate on projects.*

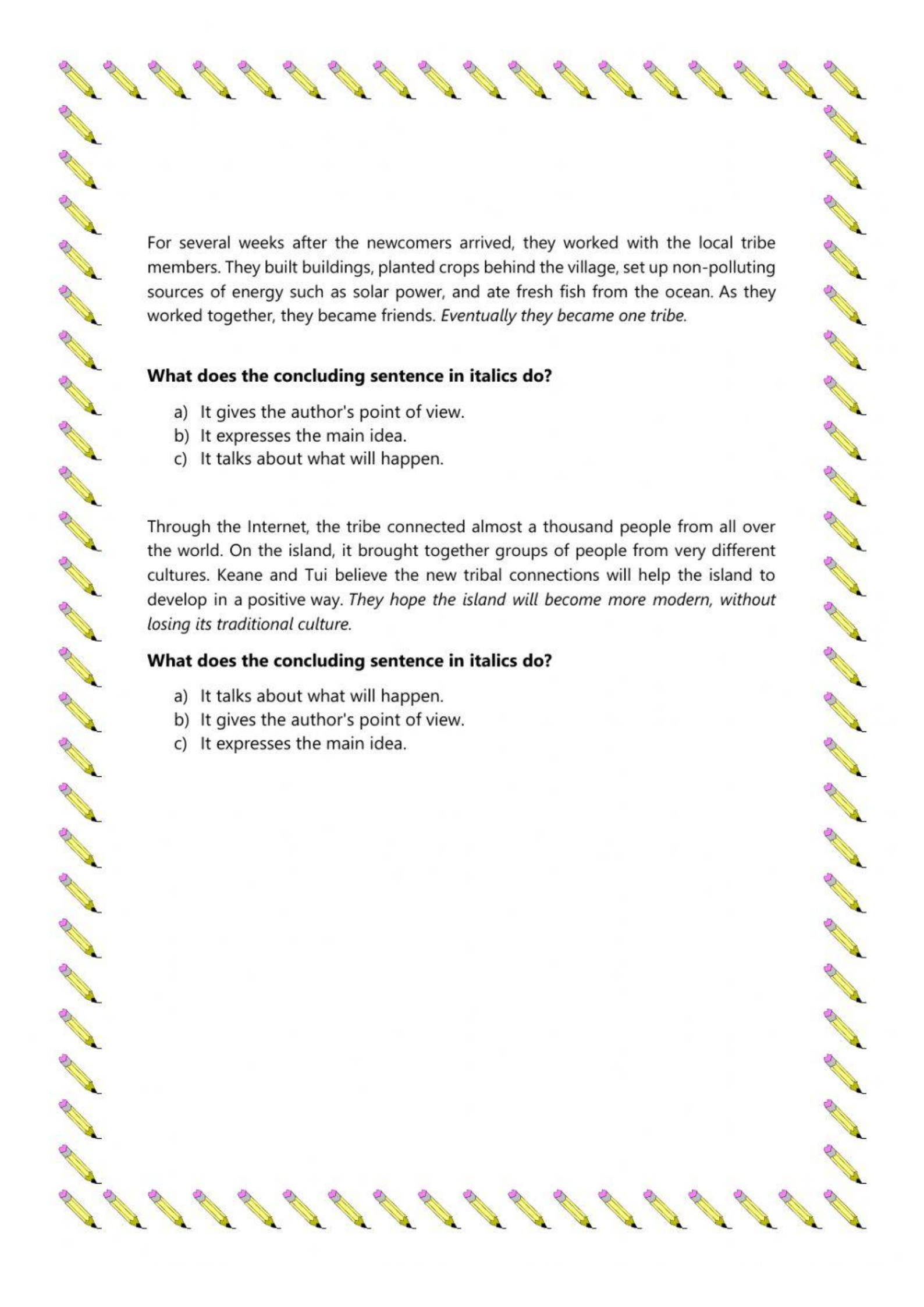
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Keene liked the idea, and he and James named their website tribewanted.com. Then they began looking for an island for their tribe. Around the same time, Tui Mali, the chief of a tribe in Fiji, wanted jobs and money for his people. He owned a small island called Vorovoro. The main islands of Fiji were becoming very modern, but Vorovoro was not. *On Vorovoro, a few people had cell phones or worked on one of the main islands, but most lived in very small, simple homes with no electricity or running water.*

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For several weeks after the newcomers arrived, they worked with the local tribe members. They built buildings, planted crops behind the village, set up non-polluting sources of energy such as solar power, and ate fresh fish from the ocean. As they worked together, they became friends. *Eventually they became one tribe.*

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Through the Internet, the tribe connected almost a thousand people from all over the world. On the island, it brought together groups of people from very different cultures. Keane and Tui believe the new tribal connections will help the island to develop in a positive way. *They hope the island will become more modern, without losing its traditional culture.*

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