



Turning Point

A turning point can be defined as an event or point in time that changes the direction of something important such as a life, a war, education, or athletic season. In the Revolutionary War, historians point to the Battle of Saratoga as the turning point, because after the battle, the momentum of the war shifted in favor of the Patriots, who were able to procure the help of the French military as a result of their victory. Can you identify a turning point in your life, or, in the life of a character in literature you have read about? What event changed everything? Explain how things were different before and after.