

## Introduction

### Background Information

*Consider making a list of information to include in your introduction as you develop your paragraphs. Then write your introduction after.*

### Thesis statement What you will show/illustrate in your paper.

#### *Thesis statement tips*

1. Start with rough thesis by filling in the blank.  
*I will show/illustrate \_\_\_\_\_*
2. Replace start of sentence with your process and complete with information from blank above.  
*I will show/illustrate*  
*A comparison between \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ illustrates \_\_\_\_\_.*  
*An analysis/examination/exploration of \_\_\_\_\_ illustrates \_\_\_\_\_.*  
*An analysis of \_\_\_ using \_\_\_'s theory of \_\_\_\_\_ illustrates \_\_\_\_\_.*  
*An analysis of \_\_\_ using a \_\_\_\_\_ framework illustrates \_\_\_\_\_.*  
*An analysis of \_\_\_ from a \_\_\_\_\_ perspective illustrates \_\_\_\_\_.*
3. Consider a concluding sentence that connects what you will show to your course lectures/themes. How does your thesis statement connect? (E.g., does it contradict or align with course themes?)

## Rough Outline

### Generally, list the steps you will take to fulfill the goal of your thesis statement.

*How will you show what you want to show?*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

**Body Paragraph 1**

**Point:** argument, claim, reason, sub-topic

**Evidence:** Quotations, paraphrase, examples, statistics, studies

**Analysis:** connections between your point and the evidence, and between your point and thesis statement

**Body Paragraph 2**

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**Body Paragraph 3**

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**Body Paragraph 4**

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### Body Paragraph 5

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### Conclusion

**Restated Thesis**

**Summary of main points and analysis**

**Concluding thoughts:** opportunities for future studies, possible solutions to problems raised, a memorable statement