

How to Format a Basic Thesis Statement

Three parts

1. An **Observation, Question or Problem**
2. A **Claim, Answer or Solution**
3. Some **Evidence: reasons & facts**

An ***observation, question or problem*** leads to a ***claim, answer or solution*** which is explained through ***evidence: reasons and facts.***

Three patterns

1. If this is true, then that must be true because of this.

If this ***observation, question, problem,*** is like this, then this ***claim, answer, solution*** must be true because of this ***evidence.***

2. This should be understood this way because of that.

The ***observation, question, problem*** is something like this ***claim, answer, solution*** because of this ***evidence.***

3. This should be done this way because of that.

This ***observation, question, problem*** should be done this ***claim, answer, solution*** way because of that ***evidence.***