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Grey ELA 8

Book/Film Title _____

Author _____

PART I — THE THESIS!



(The backbone of the essay!)

A **thesis statement** tells your reader exactly what your entire essay will focus on. The thesis should stem directly from the topic that you decided to write about.

A thesis statement:

- > is a sentence found in the introduction
- > tells your reader what your ~~entire essay~~ will discuss
- > must use "key words" from the writing prompt
- > answers the prompt in one single sentence

thesis statement ONLY 1 sentence

WRITING STRONG THESIS STATEMENTS

Directions:

1. Underline the **key words** in the topic/prompt. See below.
2. Decide what you think, based on the book you read.
3. **Re-write** the topic/prompt **using the key words** and information from the book you read.

Copy down the prompt you are going to use: Who is a hero? What makes a hero? Use examples.

Key words in Topic/Question = hero, concept, examples

Thesis Statement (use Key Words!):

In both the Diary of a Young Girl and the Freedom Writers Diary, characters demonstrate heroism in different ways.

address or include

what essay is trying

characters