

# What is a Thesis Statement?

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A thesis statement is:

- a clear, concise and brief statement of the main idea. The thesis statement may be written in more than one sentence but should be as brief and concise as possible.
- an answer to your research question, the statement which presents the specific controlling idea of your research paper.
- answers the question “So what?” and provides the reason for your research

**General Subject**

-child labour in developing countries

**Research Question**

-Why is there so much child labour in developing countries?

**Specific Topic**

-the economic necessity of child labour

**Thesis statement**

-Child labour is an economic necessity in developing countries.