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**Writing a Thesis**

***Directions***: Using your given topic, begin brainstorming your thesis statement. Use the example for help.

Example:

What's the topic of your research? **Henry VIII**

What's your main opinion on this topic? **Henry VIII changed England forever**

What's the strongest argument supporting your opinion? **English Kings had too much power**

What's a second good argument that supports your opinion? **He started a new religion after he broke away from the Catholic Church**

What’s a third good argument that supports your opinion? **To be in the line of succession to the throne in England, you cannot be Roman Catholic, you must be Protestant**

What's a possible title for your essay? **Henry VIII, Misunderstood or Forward Thinker?**

Possible thesis statement: **Even though Henry VIII is often seen as being selfish, England would never be the same after Henry VIII because: he had too much power, he started a new religion, and started a tradition based on religion that is still in place today.**

Now it’s your turn:

What's the topic you want to research?

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What is a possible title of your essay?

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Possible Thesis Statement:

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