

AGENDA - 10.25

- Thesis statement practice
- Writing practice
- Essay prep time! :)

HOMework: IN CLASS ESSAY ON MONDAY!



THESIS STATEMENT PRACTICE

WRITING IS FUN!



THESIS STATEMENT PRACTICE

WHAT'S A THESIS AND WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

THESIS STATEMENT



YOUR ANSWER



YOUR CLAIM



YOUR ARGUMENT

THESIS STATEMENT FORMULA

*Although Y, **X**,
because A and B
(and C).*



*Y: COUNTERCLAIM,
OR A 2ND BEST
ANSWER*



**X: YOUR CLAIM, WITH
THE PROMPT
RESTATED**



A, B, C: EVIDENCE
THAT SUPPORTS
YOUR ANSWER

"To what extent is teaching a good career choice?"

Although Y, X, because A and B (and C).



But, step 1 is to brainstorm!



Think about the answer to the prompt before you start writing.



"To what extent is teaching a good career choice?"

Although *Y*, **X**, because A and B (and C).



Although teaching is an emotionally satisfying profession,



teaching is an unwise career choice,



because teachers rank consistently at the bottom of the pay scale, often work at home without just compensation, and receive a lack of due respect in society.

"Which extracurricular activity generates the most school pride at Creek?"

Although Y, **X**, because A and B (and C).



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"Defend or refute the following statement: cats are better than dogs."

Although Y, **X**, because A and B (and C).



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"To what extent is your sophomore year different from your freshman year at Creek?"

Although *Y*, **X**, because A and B (and C).



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**QUESTIONS,
COMMENTS,
CONCERNS?**

Introduce your paper through a historical context introduction



This is like a
"previously on..."
before a new episode
of TV



Tell me, in 2-4
sentences, what I
need to know before
reading your paper



Zoom out a bit! Tell me
background information!
What's going on that is
relevant to your
prompt?

The role of teachers has changed drastically over time. Once responsible for only lecturing and reading with students from textbooks, teachers are now told to be engaging and make learning fun and accessible for all students. Not only that, but teachers are expected to be counselors and coaches, and are expected to be reached at any hour of the day through email. *Although teaching is an emotionally satisfying profession, **teaching is an unwise career choice***, because teachers rank consistently at the bottom of the pay scale, often work at home without just compensation, and receive a lack of due respect in society.



This is like a "previously on..." before a new episode of TV



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1st body paragraph:
counterclaim
(teachers make a difference!)

2nd body paragraph:
first piece of evidence from thesis
(teachers don't get paid enough)

3rd body paragraph:
second piece of evidence from thesis (teachers work too much and don't get paid for the work they do outside of contract hours)

4th body paragraph:
third piece of evidence from thesis
(teachers don't get no R-E-S-P-E-C-T)



1st body paragraph:
Y



2nd body paragraph:
A



3rd body paragraph:
B



4th body paragraph:
C

Although Y,

X,

because A and B (and C).

ESSAY PREP

you can use this sheet in class on Monday!

You can:

- outline your essay
 - (body paragraph themes, topic sentences, bullet pointed evidence)
- write your full introduction and thesis statement

You CANNOT:

- write out your essay