Writing a good thesis statement requires thought, creativity, intelligence. A good thesis statement cannot simply be dashed off.

A thesis statement is the one sentence in an essay that tells the reader what the essay is about.

**Exercises: Use a dependent and independent clause to write a thesis statement for each topic below. Use the indicated relationship, and start each sentence with the indicated word.**

1.  Topic: A place you would like to visit. Relationship: Contrast (Although)

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 2.  Topic: A place you would like to visit. Relationship: Cause/Effect (Because)

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3. Topic: A dangerous activity. Relationship: Contrast (Although)

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4. Topic: A dangerous activity. Relationship: Cause/Effect (Since)

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5. Topic: Obesity. Relationship: Contrast (While)

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