# Thesis Statement Worksheet

**Social Issues Research Essay – Is this Fiction for Real?**

**Directions**: Your thesis statement is the sentence upon which you base your entire essay. You need to do some research on your opinion about your social issue first because that can sometimes change the direction of your thesis. Once you’ve got your thesis nailed down, you can proceed with writing the rest of your essay. Below I would like you to fill in the information that will help you arrive at your thesis, and thus, the main points of each of your body paragraphs. Ask me for help, if needed.

TOPIC:

OPINION ABOUT TOPIC (*based on what you’ve read and researched*):

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WHY (three reasons you feel that way about the topic)?

1)

2)

3)

*Now, put it all together and you’ve got your thesis statement, the basis for your entire essay.*

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THESIS:

\*You can begin working on this today, but if you’re not ready, continue your research. You will be speaking to the teacher individually about your thesis to make sure you are figuring out how to proceed with writing your paper.