

# Thesis Statement Rubric

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<b>Content</b>	The thesis goes above and beyond in addressing all requirements: -identifies author and title -addresses all aspects of prompt -presents a logical connection between the literary element and the single effect -expresses an opinionated and arguable claim -uses vocabulary and ideas that are specific and show original and insightful understanding -passes the so-what test.	The thesis satisfactorily addresses all requirements: -identifies author and title -addresses all aspects of prompt -presents a logical connection between the literary element and the single effect -expresses an opinionated and arguable claim -uses vocabulary and ideas are specific and show original understanding -passes the so-what test.	The thesis lacks one of the following requirements: -identifies author and title -addresses all aspects of prompt -presents a logical connection between the literary element and the single effect -expresses an opinionated and arguable claim -uses vocabulary and ideas that are specific and show original understanding -passes the so-what test.	The thesis lacks two of the following requirements: -identifies author and title -addresses all aspects of prompt -presents a logical connection between the literary element and the single effect -expresses an opinionated and arguable claim -uses vocabulary and ideas that are specific and show original understanding -passes the so-what test.	The thesis lacks three or more of the following requirements: -identifies author and title -addresses all aspects of prompt -presents a logical connection between the literary element and the single effect -expresses an opinionated and arguable claim -uses vocabulary and ideas that are specific and show original understanding -passes the so-what test.
<b>Language: Grammar and Syntax</b> <i>(Arrangement of words and phrases to create well-formed sentences)</i>	Sophisticated syntax, properly combining phrases and clauses in a manner that flows smoothly	Adequate syntax, using relatively basic yet effective sentence structure	Some awkward syntax or clunky phrasing, using basic sentence structure	Awkward and unclear syntax inhibits understanding.	Sentence is unreadable.
<b>Mechanics: Capitalization and Punctuation</b>	Capitalization and punctuation are flawless.	Capitalization and punctuation are effective, with one or two minor mistakes.	Capitalization and punctuation flaws distract.	Capitalization and punctuation flaws inhibit understanding.	Sentence is unreadable.

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