1. Learning Target:

2. What is a Thesis Statement:

   • A Thesis Statement Must:
     1.
     2.
     3.
     • General #1:
     • Specific #1:
     • General #2:
     • Specific #2:

3. Writing a Thesis Statement:

   1.
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4. Checking Your Thesis Statement:

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ACTIVITY

I. Read each of the following thesis statements and identify each as either being general or specific by placing them in their appropriate containers.

1. Pesticides kill thousands of farmworkers and must be stopped.
2. Hemingway’s war stories are very good.
3. Parents need to participate more in the education of their children.

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II. Evaluate the following statements. Are they thesis statements? As a group, use the clicker to send in your answers.

2. The Juvenile Court system has become a source of punishment and imprisonment.
3. How did The Jungle make an impact on the foods we eat?

III. Rewrite the following Thesis Statement. Make sure to test it using the three questions provided.

1. How could Batman not be considered a hero?
   Rewrite:

IV. Write your Thesis Statement below. Don’t forget to narrow your focus so that it is specific.

Subject: Mercy Killing

Topic: Mercy killing as a just solution

Question: Is mercy killing a just solution?

Thesis Statement:
V. Use the lines below to record your **supporting evidence** (quote from the novel and the articles).

**Evidence #1 (OMAM):**

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**Evidence #2 (Articles):**

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**SUMMARY**

Write **3 sentences** of summary about our **Learning Target**.

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