

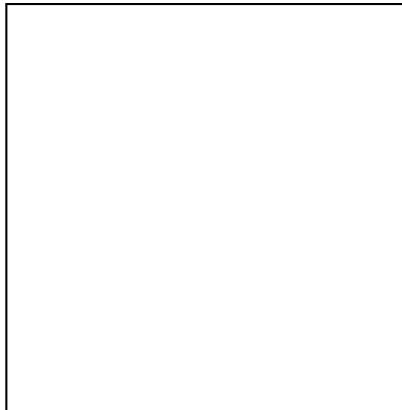
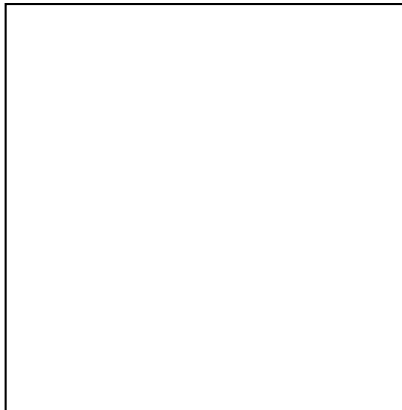
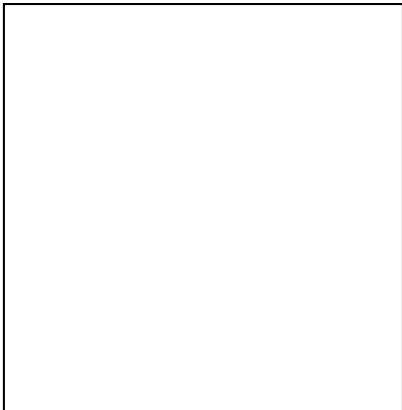
**Definition**

A **thesis statement** states your main idea about your topic and lets your readers know what main points you plan to cover in your essay. It is the main idea of your essay and the rest of your essay should support it (back it up; provide evidence, etc.).

**Concept**

# Thesis

**Examples**



**Key Vocabulary:** Ways to organize an essay

- Compare and contrast**
- Cause and effect**
- Chronological order**
- Order of importance**
- Spatial**

