

2ª série e 3ª série

Text genres (gêneros textuais)

EM13LGG103

Escrita clara: concisão e thesis statements

① Be concise

Choose the clearest and most concise version that keeps the original meaning.

1. "It is important to note that there are many students who are in need of help."

- () a) Many students need help.
- () b) It is important that students are helped by many.
- () c) There are students, and many of them, who need help.

2. "Due to the fact that it was raining, the soccer game was postponed."

- () a) The soccer game was raining, so it was postponed.
- () b) The soccer game was postponed because it was raining.
- () c) Due to the rain fact, the game was postponed.

3. "At this point in time, we are not able to answer your question."

- () a) We are not able at this time point to answer.
- () b) Your question is not answerable at this point in time by us.
- () c) We cannot answer your question now.

4. "The reason why she left early is because she was feeling sick."

- () a) She left early because she felt sick.
- () b) The reason she left is because of the reason she was sick.
- () c) Because she was feeling sick is why she left early.

② Cut the wordy phrases

Replace the wordy expression in parentheses with a shorter word from the box.

because

to

now

although

if

1. We stayed home _____ (due to the fact that) it was cold.
2. She saved money _____ (in order to) buy a new laptop.
3. The store is closed _____ (at this point in time).
4. He finished the essay _____ (in spite of the fact that) he was tired.
5. Call me _____ (in the event that) you need help.

③ Thesis statements

Choose the best thesis statement for each essay topic.

1. Topic: The impact of social media on youth culture.

- ☐ **a)** Social media is an app on your phone.
- ☐ **b)** Many young people use Instagram and TikTok every day.
- ☐ Social media significantly shapes youth culture by influencing fashion,
- c)** communication styles, and political engagement.

2. Topic: The role of governments in environmental conservation.

- ☐ Governments play a crucial role in environmental conservation through regulation,
- a)** funding research, and promoting sustainable practices.
- ☐ **b)** The environment is very important.
- ☐ **c)** What do governments do for nature?

3. Topic: Should schools have longer school days?

- ☐ **a)** Some schools start at 7 a.m.
 - ☐ Longer school days can improve learning, but only if the extra time includes rest,
 - b)** sports, and creative activities.
 - ☐ **c)** School days are long and short.
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④ What makes a good thesis?

Are the statements about thesis statements true or false?

1. A thesis statement presents the main argument of an essay.

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

2. A good thesis statement is usually a question.

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

3. A thesis statement should be clear and specific.

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

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1. Be concise

1. a) Many students need help.
2. b) The soccer game was postponed because it was raining.
3. c) We cannot answer your question now.
4. a) She left early because she felt sick.

3. Thesis statements

1. c) Social media significantly shapes youth culture by influencing fashion, communication styles, and political engagement.
2. a) Governments play a crucial role in environmental conservation through regulation, funding research, and promoting sustainable practices.
3. b) Longer school days can improve learning, but only if the extra time includes rest, sports, and creative activities.

2. Cut the wordy phrases

1. because
2. to
3. now
4. although
5. if

4. What makes a good thesis?

1. True
2. False
3. True