## Thesis Statement

Thesis Statement quite often stands as the very last sentence of the introductory paragraph in a 5-paragraph essay and tells the reader of what the author has in mind and about his point of view on that particular subject. Thesis statement is usually preceded by a short introduction pertinent to the topic of the essay. It is via this outstanding sentence that the author of the essay establishes the firm bases supporting his discussion as well as the general mood prevailing throughout the essay; a decent thesis statement should clearly state that the author agrees or disagrees with the subject.

Some of the criteria of a good thesis statement are:

It is to the point; it directly refers to the question and clarifies the author's viewpoint on that by asserting that he agrees or disagrees

It is clean of any redundancy

It could be initiated with: to me/ in my point of view/ for me/ as far as I `m concerned / in my viewpoint, etc.

Though it is possible to mention the reasons of author's agreement or disagreement in the thesis statement, it is not quite often favored as the reader gets to know about the author's reasons from the first place and may not be that willing to go onto the following paragraphs (body paragraphs)

It is advisable to the IELTS and TOEFL students taking the exam to develop a unique style of thesis writing for their own good

It should be further noted that thesis statement of the introductory paragraph is of vital importance for the IELTS and TOEFL scorers, so the scholars are highly recommended to have intensive exercises on that prior to getting onto writing essays.