Essay writing practice

Thesis statements

Create a thesis statement for 5 of the topics listed below. Use the information on the handouts and what we talked about to make them appropriate to write about in a 5 paragraph essay. Make sure they state both what you would be trying to prove and the “so what?”, in other words why it is important to know about for people.

Topics to choose from:

Social media, Graduation, Free education, Dependency on Technology, Protecting the environment, voting age, driving age, freedom of speech, importance of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, living in Canada

You must show your work. In other words there should be a brainstorm of what you thought about when narrowing down the topic to a thesis statement. Some methods that you could use could be a mind map, or a t-chart. (see examples below)

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| Mind Map | T-chart |

Topic

“So what?”

Why it is important

“So what?”

Why it is important

“So what?”

Why it is important

“so what?” (why it is important)

Possible thesis statements

Possible thesis statement

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Possible thesis statement

Topic

Possible thesis statement

Possible thesis statement

Possible thesis statement

“So what?”

Why it is important

“So what?”

Why it is important

“So what?”

Why it is important

Using one of the thesis statements you created, fill out the outline for an essay- using one of the two formats given. (whichever one is easiest for you)