# Thesis Statement Checklist

## My thesis statement…

* Is debatable; not just a statement of fact or an observation
* Answers a question (claim)
* Clearly states the topic
* Takes a stand on the topic
* Is specific/narrow enough for the page length (5 pages)
* Is clear and easy to understand
* Is complex, not simple
* Uses formal language instead of casual or conversational language
* Is NOT a question
* Is NOT combative or angry