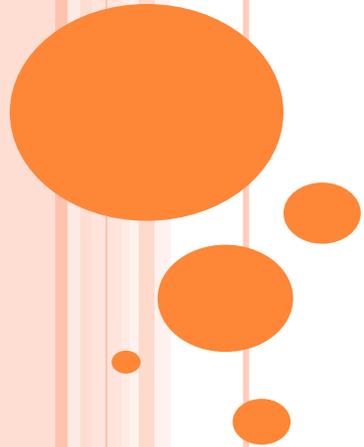


Writing a Strong Thesis Statement



- Don't let the term *thesis statement* scare you.
- *Thesis statement* is just a fancy term for a one sentence statement of what your essay will prove.



A good thesis statement:

- **states three supportable reasons for the statement.**
- **Does not include the words “three” or “reasons.”**
- **is only one sentence long.**
- **restates the prompt.**
- **takes a strong stand.**
- **is written in third person.**
- **has parallel structure.**

