

ESSAY INTRODUCTIONS



THREE COMPONENTS OF AN INTRODUCTION

FIRST SENTENCE

Introduces topic in an interesting way

INFORMATIVE SENTENCES

Explains the first sentence and builds to thesis

THESIS STATEMENT

Makes a claim or states a view that you will support

INTRODUCTIONS SHOULD...

1. State the **broad topic**.
2. Make a **focused statement** about your broad topic.
3. Tell readers why your topic is **important** or **relevant** and give **background** information.



EFFECTIVE INTRODUCTION STRATEGIES

1. Consider the **question** you are answering. Your thesis is the answer to the question.
2. **Start broad**, then focus on the details.
3. **Re-write** your introduction after the paper is finished.
4. Consider who your **target audience** is.



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