

Composition

Thesis Statements

Instructions: Read the thesis statement below then answer the questions which follow.

Hurricanes cause lots of damage for they can be incredibly powerful natural events, have destroyed whole communities and have caused millions of dollars of damage.

1. What is the topic of the thesis statement?
2. What is the claim of the thesis statement?
3. What would each body paragraph focus on according to the thesis statement.

Match the paragraph with its correct content.

Body Paragraph 1 _____

Body Paragraph 2 _____

Body Paragraph 3 _____

a. The expenses of hurricanes

b. Hurricanes are natural occurrences

c. Hurricanes are necessary

d. Hurricanes destroy communities

4. Where would the thesis statement be found in an introduction paragraph?

a) at the beginning b) in the middle c. at the end