

Brain Science

Claim Statement



Compare and contrast Phineas's behavior and brain to those of an adolescent.

Introduction

- Hook
- Background Info
- Claim

Body Paragraph

- Similarities and differences between the behavior of Phineas and an adolescent

Body Paragraph

- Similarities and differences between the brain of Phineas and an adolescent

Conclusion

- Restate the claim
- Review main ideas
- Mic Drop

Claim Statement

A claim statement is a _____ sentence that should

restate words from the _____

_____ state your opinion

preview your _____ ideas without going into detail

not be a _____

no personal _____ (I, me, we, us)

be the _____ sentence of your introduction + first sentence in the conclusion.

Essay Prompt: Why should someone travel abroad in college?

Traveling in college plays an essential role in any young person's experience because it sparks intellectual curiosity and increases their own educational investment.

Does the claim statement restate words from the prompt?

If so, which specific words/phrases does the writer use?

Does the claim statement clearly state the opinion of the writer? *If so, what is their opinion on the topic?*

What are their supporting ideas?

You do not need to write in complete sentences.

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Is this a SINGLE sentence that is NOT a run-on?

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Yes

No

Does it use personal pronouns?

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Yes

No

Based on what you know makes a good claim statement and your answers above, is this a good thesis statement?

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Yes

No

Essay Prompt: Should BRMS implement uniforms into its dress code?

I mean yeah BRMS should have a uniform policy because it would help people who don't have a lot of money and it would be helpful for kids who can't decide what to wear and teachers would be happier and I think it would be a good idea. Yah you should do that.

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Does it use personal pronouns?

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No

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Obviously, this isn't a "good" claim statement. Rewrite it to make it one.

Compare and contrast Phineas's behavior and brain to those of an adolescent.

In your own words, answer the first part of the prompt:

Do you think Phineas's behavior (after his accident) is similar or different from that of an adolescent? Why?

Put an "x" next to your answer and respond below.



_____ Similar

_____ Different

In 5 words or less, explain your answer above

In your own words, answer the second part of the prompt:

Do you think Phineas's brain (after his accident) is similar or different to that of an adolescent? Why?

Put an "x" next to your answer and respond below.



_____ Similar

_____ Different

In 5 words or less, explain your answer above

Choose Your Answer and Reasons

Phineas's behavior and brain are similar to those of an adolescent

Write down one reason to support your answer above (phrase)

Phineas's behavior and brain are different to those of an adolescent

Write down another reason to support your answer above (phrase)

Phineas's behavior and brain are similar and different to those of an

Write a Claim

Put the two pieces above together into a (a) single sentence, (b) that is not a run-on, (c) with no personal pronouns, and (d) clearly answers the prompt.

Claim Statement

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