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**INTRODUCTION:**

The purpose is to generate interest, provide some historical context, and state a thesis

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Your thesis with because clause: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Thesis statement**

Needs to let the reader know what the paper is about.

Needs to be INTERESTING

Needs to assert something the author can argue and prove—it can’t be obvious.

Does it work as a whole?

Is it an opinion; not a fact?

Is it a point worth making? Does it matter?

Does the *because clause* support the thesis?