## What is a Thesis?

## Tips for Making & Supporting a Sustained Argument

## **KEY TERMS & ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS**

**THESIS** Clear, interesting, and arguable. A thesis is a claim, demand, evaluation, understanding, and/or position with which someone else can – and does – disagree. *Note*: a thesis should not be *only* a matter of personal preference or taste. A thesis engages with larger social, political, or academic conversations already taking place.

## **EVIDENCE**