

Writing your introduction

Your introduction is the reader's first impression of your paper, make it count!

For this short 2-3 page paper, your introduction should be about 3-5 sentences long.

Start with general comments about the issue and get more specific.

End with your thesis statement.

-Get the reader's attention-

Every year, children are exposed to increasing amounts of violence on television.

-Present the problem-

Violence and bullying is increasing at a rapid rate in our schools. Many students are afraid and intimidated in the classroom, which is adversely affecting their education.

-State your thesis at the end of the paragraph-

Violence on television is making our schools more dangerous for our children.