**Thesis Statements: Determine whether the thesis statements are weak or strong. Does it have an arguable point? Identify the three qualities within the statement (Topic, Opinion, Why)**

1. Shakespeare was the world’s greatest playwright.
2. The last scene in “Midsummer Night’s Dream” showcases Shakespeare’s ability to manipulate subtle linguistic differences among his characters for comic effect.
3. This essay will show that the North American Free Trade agreement was a disaster for the furniture industry of Canada.
4. In recent, years, transmission of measles in hospitals has been described only rarely. New data suggest that the spread of measles in hospitals is more frequent than previously recognized.
5. Michael Dukakis’ lost the 1988 presidential election because he did not work hard enough after the Democratic National Convention.
6. I learned that if I procrastinate my essays will not come out as good.

**Create a thesis statement from the following prompts. Be sure to have all three qualities represented in each of your statements.**

1. Do colleges put too much stock in standardized test scores?
2. Do curfews keep teens out of trouble?
3. Are we too dependent on technology?
4. Are law enforcement cameras an invasion of privacy?
5. Are cell phones dangerous?
6. Should the government have a say in our diets?