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## Is It A Thesis?

In the blank provided next to each sentence, write **G** for a **good thesis**, **W** for a **weak thesis** (too broad, vague, obvious, missing an assertion or an implied promise), or **NT** for **not a thesis** (purpose, theme, title, announcement, statement of fact). Then, for those marked **W**, explain how it is weak, and for **NT**, note why it is not a thesis.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Exercise is a valuable activity to support a healthy lifestyle.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Despite its risks and side effects, lithium is currently the most effective treatment for severe depression.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. This paper is about what I liked in the movie "Shallow Hal".
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Many drugs are being used to successfully treat cancers.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. One kind of love is platonic.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. One needs to understand how drugs can impact a fetus during pregnancy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Los Angeles supports a huge entertainment business that produces most of the world's movies every year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Just over 13% of Americans have some formal education after high school.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Hip Hop music has opened a door between rap and pop that R&B has tried unsuccessfully to do for years.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Why I Love Slugs