

This Changes Everything

Personal Thesis Paper DUE MONDAY APRIL 4th.

THESIS PROPOSAL IS DUE MARCH 22nd.

No late papers will be accepted

Naomi Klein lays out the environmental, political, and economic state of the world and the path to the present. Additionally she proposes a plan for the future that addresses the environmental crisis at hand (Climate Change) while restoring balance to our economic and political systems.

In the introduction, Klein states “I am convinced that climate change represents a historic opportunity on an even greater scale. As a part of the project of getting our emissions down to the levels many scientists recommend, we once again have the chance to advance policies that dramatically improve lives, close the gap between rich and poor, create huge numbers of good jobs, and reinvigorate democracy from the ground up.” She continues on the same page, “We first have to stop looking away.” (Klein 10).

Your thesis should address the above paragraph. This is intentionally vague, the idea being that you will formulate an opinion and defend it with evidence from a multitude of sources. You may choose to focus on a specific environmental issue or a particular place or form of extraction. You must discuss all the environmental, social, and political elements that surround the issue of your choosing. To help focus your thesis think of the paper as answering the following questions:

1. How can the political and economic realms be used to address the issue of climate change? WHY is now different from all the other social movements that have occurred in the past?
2. YOU MUST RESPOND TO THIS QUESTION: What will you do in your personal life to ensure that you are both prepared for the dramatic effects and actively prevent the most dramatic environmental effects of Climate Change?

The following is meant to help you clarify your thoughts. **This proposal is due on MARCH 22nd.** Do remember you need 7-10 cited sources and your paper should be 7-10 pages in length.

Thesis statement:

Supporting evidence:

1.

Sources:

2.

Sources:

3.

Sources:

4.

Sources:

5.

Sources:

Draft of ideas for the personal question:

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