

Senior Seminar Research Paper Sample Introductions

Read the sample introductions below. Pay special attention to how the writers start with a general statement and end in a thesis statement. **CAUTION: Yours should not mirror any of these. Use these as a guide, not a template.**

High School English Education

Malala Yousafzai famously said, “One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world.” While teaching Shakespeare and grammar may not at first glance seem world-changing, high school English teachers have the ability to make a difference in the world by teaching students an appreciation of reading and writing. Through class discussions, teachers can open a door to new ideas and ways of looking at the world, and through writing assignments, teachers can show students how to effectively communicate their thoughts, beliefs, and ideas. Although the road to getting a good teaching job is long, teaching high school English has many benefits, and ultimately, can make one feel like she is making a difference in the world.

EMT/Ambulance

When one thinks of someone who saves lives, one mostly pictures a doctor wearing a white coat in a hospital. One does not often consider the people working in the back of an ambulance, giving CPR, and administering medicine to keep a patient alive long enough for the doctors in the white coats to take over in the emergency room. Emergency Medical Technicians, or EMTs, play a vital role in saving lives. While many people are drawn to this career because of its many rewards, there is still a shortage of EMTs because of the dangers of the job.

Information Technology

Technology has become a staple of society. In this digital-age filled with computers, laptops, tablets, phones, and countless other gadgets, technology is taking up an incredible portion of people’s lives. This increase in technology consumption has given an incredible rise to the world of computers, software, and technological innovation overall. People are using technology, particularly the internet, in nearly all aspects of life. From education, to work, to entertainment, the internet has become a universal tool. However, none of this would be possible without the people who create it

and run it. The rise in technology has created a new world of exiting careers filled with both benefits and drawbacks.

Gardening

The enclosure of outdoor space in the form of an early garden began in 10,000 BC. No one knows for sure if it was to keep out marauding animals or simply to contain plants, but one thing is for sure: people have been gardening for centuries. Whether merely for aesthetic purposes as the ancient Egyptians did, growing symmetrical rows of acacias and palms, or for food, as we see American farmers today growing corn and tomatoes and all sorts of vegetables, gardening is an important aspect of human society. Gardening not only provides aesthetic pleasures and healthy food, but it gives people numerous mental and physical benefits, making it an excellent hobby.