Thesis Statement Practice

Decide if the following are good thesis statements or not. Write yes if it is a good one. Write no if it is a weak thesis statement.

Remember, a good thesis statement will:

• have a topic and a controlling idea.
• be arguable.
• not be too broad or vague.
• not be too narrow.
• not announce the topic.

1. ______ Cancer is a bad disease.

2. ______ Some children have to walk to school.

3. ______ *Transformers* is a great movie.

4. ______ High schools should require students to wear uniforms.

5. ______ Every seventy-four years, Haley’s comet passes Earth.

6. ______ The U.S. needs to raise its minimum wage for workers.

7. ______ Greenland is an island made of ice.

8. ______ This essay will explain why college tuition rates are increasing.

9. ______ It is necessary because children need help and need to be safe.

10. ______ Political fighting prevents the government from functioning properly.