



WRITE A PROBLEM STATEMENT

How to identify and clarify the problem to be solved

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"A problem well stated is a problem half solved."

- CHARLES KETTERING

A problem statement clearly explains the problem your project will address.

Identify these three elements before composing your problem statement:

<i>The issue of...</i>	
<i>affects...</i> <i>(who or what?)</i>	
<i>and has a negative impact by...</i>	

Now complete your problem statement making sure it includes the above three elements and is based on the criteria below.

Your problem statement:

- focuses on only one problem
- contains no more than two sentences
- describes how people, places or things are harmed or disadvantaged
- does not include a solution
