

## **Where I Stand**

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I am a daughter and an enemy to my sister due to the occasional warfare in our household. I am the most annoying person in my family. Though, my sister is tough competition. I am a guitar hero when playing against my family and friends, even if they aren't the best players in the world. I'm going to be the first in my family to go to college at eighteen. Due to the fact that I am the only one in my family who had honors classes and summer homework. I am a friend to many people, but not a lot of people in my school.

I like music. It's my favorite thing to do after school. I listen to anything from Fall Out Boy to Madina Lake. I like movies. Adventure stories, murder mysteries, and comedies are really the only movies I see. My favorite movies are National Treasure 2 and Clue. I also like CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. I like to solve the crime before the show ends. I like, actually love, my pets. I have three: Stormey, Ko Ko, and Sam. They are what get me up in the morning, literally.

I believe that people can change, even the most reluctant. Everybody changes. Evolution can be natural or even kick started by a friend. I believe that sleeping is my best friend, especially when school starts. I believe in keeping secrets. I understand that keeping secrets can be a bad thing. Though, it keeps relationships alive. I believe that the world lies too much. It could be about anything. Apparently, it's an international trait.

I've never really cared for snakes or any deadly creatures. Overused quotes drive me insane. For example, "Dude", "Whatever", and "No Way" are wreaking havoc on my brain as I speak. I do not care for politics. I know it's important, but they make elections take so long. The anticipation kills me every four years. I cannot stand people who act like celebrities. Some "stars" act like they have an IQ lower than a sixth grader. The question is why would you waste your time trying to be like someone else when your clearly smarter than them?

I am tired of hearing about reoccurring news. I'm tired of hearing stories about death. Death is mournful. Why waste time talking about it? How about talking to your friends about plans for the weekend? I'm really tired of game shows. They are getting better, but nobody has the time to watch them all. I'm tired of watching commercials. Did you know that for every thirty minutes of television you watch, eight of those minutes are total commercials? I am so bored with Myspace already. Everyone is so obsessed with it and that's all I hear at school.

I believe in mythical creatures. The creativity of the characters sparks my imagination. I believe in life on other planets. The thought of having more advanced life forms intrigues me. This makes me want to explore the galaxy in hopes of finding anything out there. I believe in being my own person, not caring about what others think of me. Last but not least, I believe in a cure for all deadly diseases. It all depends on the intelligence and perseverance of the future.