This assignment is worth 50 points.

For your final paper topic proposal, your job is to propose and get approval by your instructor for a coming-of-age novel for which you will then need to acquire a copy, read and create a “Reader’s Resource Guide” (due Week 6)

and write a literary analysis about for your final paper (due Week 7). Because this is a 300-level English course, I

want you to concentrate on choosing a literary subject. For suggestions, click the links provided with the assignment

or do a web search.

Also, be sure to look through the list of prohibited titles (ones not allowed), also included with the assignment. These

are prohibited, not because they are inadequate in any way, but because students always pick them, and I want to

push you all to look a little harder to find something beyond these tried and true titles.

\*Your Topic Proposal should be approximately one full page in length and include the standard MLA heading and

title. In the body of your proposal, submit the title and author of the book you have in mind, as well as a brief

synopsis of the plot and provide an explanation of why this is a suitable choice for the assignment. MAKE SURE TO

USE QUOTATION MARKS AROUND ANY BORROWED WORDING AND TO INCLUDE A CITATION FOR ANY

BORROWED LANGUAGE OR IDEAS TAKEN FROM SECONDARY SOURCES SOURCES. \*Not to do so is

evidence of plagiarism which carries the standard penalty of earning a zero for the assignment.

\*Submit your topic proposal to the assignment link under Week 3.

\*See a sample student essay on the Purdue Owl for an example of how to format your paper correctly:

https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/13/

Final Reader’s Guide Project – Due Sunday of Week 6

Final Paper– Due Week 7

Important Note:

Because students tend to choose the same novels every semester, I want you to look a little harder, beyond the

usual titles, and choose something new. Below see the list of books that I am prohibiting for this assignment. I

encourage you to do a search online or on Amazon.com for "coming-of-age novels" and see what you find. Here are

a few good sites to get you started:

https://www.shortlist.com/entertainment/books/best-coming-of-age-novels/94837 (Links to an external site.)Links to

an external site.

https://bookriot.com/2018/04/05/coming-of-age-books/ (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.

https://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/coming-of-age?page=4

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/lists/coming-of-age-books (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.

\*\*\*\*Also, if choosing a book that is not a well-known or classic title, do a little research and see if the information

required for the final Reader's Guide is available (such as critical reviews, audio or video of the author, etc.). You

don't want to run into trouble later in the course when beginning work on this project and finding out there is nothing

available.

\*Books that are prohibited (not allowed):

Ann Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl

Because of Winn-Dixie

Divergent books

The Fault in our Stars

Harry Potter books

The Hunger Games

Little Women

The Lord of the Flies

The Notebook or any other Nicholas Sparks book

The Outsiders

The Perks of Being a Wallflower

The Secret Life of Bees

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A Separate Peace

The Shack

Thirteen Reasons Why

To Kill a Mockingbird

The Virgin Suicides

All Mitch Albom books