**CATCHER IN THE RYE ESSAY**

**-First, download the sample template from my website.**

**-Open up a new window to do your research.**

**The Essay:** You will be writing a collegiate level, MLA format, thematic analysis on growing up as evidenced in the novel, *Catcher in the Rye*

**Evidence:** You’ve already done half the work by collecting quotes from the book. Now, you will collect quotes from an online database called EBSCO.

First, type the following website in the URL spot: <http://search.ebscohost.com/>

USER ID: centinela

PASSWORD: library

\*You will need to type in the user id and password when you use this website outside of school.

1. Click on **EBSCOhost Research Databases**
2. Hit **Continue** on the next page
3. On the search page, type in **Catcher in the Rye**
4. On the left task bar, check the box that says **Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Articles**

**HOW TO CITE:**

Once you have to article open that you want to cite, click on the little page on the right task bar. When you hover your mouse across it, the words **Cite** will pop up. Then you click on it, and scroll down to MLA Format. Then copy/paste the citation at add it to the bottom of your answer.

**OKAY. LET’S FIND A QUOTE TOGETHER.**

1. Type in “Catcher in the Rye” into the search bar.
2. Now, open up the article called “Holden’s Irony in Salinger’s Catcher in the Rye” (it is number 6).
3. Click on the left where it says “PDF File”.

Now, let’s scan the article. At the bottom of page 204, there’s an awesome quote about the article he wrote for Stradlater: “Anger, depression, sadness, and the idea that there is no one who truly understands drive him to spill this angst out on paper” (204).

1. Now, let’s copy paste that into our essay template.
2. Now, write an intro to explain how that quote is goof evidence under the “Madness, Depression, Suicide” paragraph.
3. Lastly, you will need to make a Works Cited Entry at the end of the paper. To find the info, hover your cursor over the right toolbar until the “cite” tab comes up. Scroll down to find MLA. Then copy/paste that at the end of your paper! (I’ve done this for you).

**That’s it! Time to write your paper!**

Each thematic section should have one quote from the book and one quote from an EBSCO article. It is okay to have multiple quotes from the same EBSCO article. However, you need to assess a minimum of 2 EBSCO articles. In addition to writing the body sections, you will need to write an introduction, conclusion, and Works Cited page. You will turn your final essay in hard copy form on the assigned date.

**ESSAY RUBRIC**

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| ITEM | 10 | 8 | 6 | 4 |
| Grammar/  Punctuation | 1-2 errors | 3-4 errors | 5-6 errrors | More than 6 |
| Academic Register | No “I’s”, written all in one tense | 1-2 errors | 3-4 errors | More than 4 errors |
| Titles | Paper has a title that is centered and all subsections have titles | 1 error | 2 errors | 2+ errors |
| MLA Format | Double spaced, slug, indented, last name and page numbers | 1-2 errors | 3-4 errors | More than 4 errors |
| Introduction | Paper introduces book and expertly explains the bridge from innocence to adolescence | Paper introduces book and strongly explains the bridge from innocence to adolescence | Paper introduces book and doesn’t completely explain the bridge from innocence to adolescence | More than one element is missing |
| Phoniness Book Quote | Paper includes an embedded quote from the story that exemplifies the theme and is cited correctly | Paper includes an embedded quote from the book but is not cited correctly | Quote is included but not embedded | Quote is missing |
| Phoniness Ebsco Quote | Paper includes an embedded quote from the story that exemplifies the theme and is cited correctly | Paper includes an embedded quote from the book but is not cited correctly | Quote is included but not embedded | Quote is missing |
| Elaboration | Essay sets up, elaborates and explains quote and connection to overall theme. | Essay mostly sets up, elaborates and explains quote and connection to overall theme. | At least one element is missing | More than 1 element is missing |
| Alienation and Meltdown Book Quote | Paper includes an embedded quote from the story that exemplifies the theme and is cited correctly | Paper includes an embedded quote from the book but is not cited correctly | Quote is included but not embedded | More than element is missing |
| Alienation and Meltdown and EBSCO Quote | Paper includes an embedded quote from the story that exemplifies the theme and is cited correctly | Paper includes an embedded quote from the book but is not cited correctly | Quote is included but not embedded | More than element is missing |
| Elaboration | Essay sets up, elaborates and explains quote and connection to overall theme. | Essay mostly sets up, elaborates and explains quote and connection to overall theme. | At least one element is missing | More than 1 element is missing |
| Women /Sex Book Quote | “” | “ “ | “ “ | “ “ |
| Women/Sex EBSCO quote | “ “ | “ “ | “ “ | “ “ |
| Elaboration | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Childhood and Growing Up Book Quote | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Childhood and Growing EBSCO | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Elaboration | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Madness/Book Quote | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Madness/EBSCO Quote | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Elaboration | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto |
| Conclusion | Paper repeats book and expertly explains the bridge from innocence to adolescence | Paper mostly introduces book and expertly explains the bridge from innocence to adolescence | Paper recalls book and doesn’t completely explain the bridge from innocence to adolescence | Missing more than 1 element |
| Works Cited | Entry includes at least 3 sources correctly cited | 1 error | 2 errors | More than 2 errors |

POINTS BREAKDOWN:

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**DUE DATE FOR PEER EVALUATION:**

**FINAL COPY DUE:**