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Date/Time: _____

Challenged Book Preliminary Research (part 1)

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America Library Association (ALA)

1. Google ALA.org
2. From the ALA website click on "Banned & Challenged Books"
3. Answer the following questions:

What does ALA Promote? _____

What does it mean if a book is challenged? _____

What does it mean if a book is banned? _____

4. Click on "Frequently Challenged Books"
5. Click on "Top Ten Frequently Challenged Books list"
6. Scroll down to read the lists
7. Using Amazon.com or other websites, research books that look interesting. You will need to find a book that is at least 220 pages long, for years 12 and up, and for grades 7 and up. Choose three to five books that you are interested in reading and list them in order of preference.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Challenged Book Preliminary Research (part 2)

Finish research on back

Your Challenged Book: _____

Author: _____

Publisher: _____ City Published: _____ Date Published: _____

1. Decide where the half-way point is in your book (read first half for Discussion #1)
2. Exchange contact information with your group members. Note: You will not need to meet outside of class, but may exchange ideas via email.

Group Members	Contact Info

Gale Literature Resource Center – BC Library Article Database

After selecting your Challenged Book:

1. Go to the Bakersfield College Library webpage
2. Under “Find an Article” click on “Gale Literature Resource Center” (you will need to login using your student ID if you are accessing off-campus)
3. In the box after “keyword” type the name of your chosen book in quotes and click search.
4. **You will need to find a full-text article that discusses your chosen book. If you cannot find an article, you may need to choose a different book.**
5. Once your group has chosen a book, print, read, and annotate the article. This will be used as a source in your Essay and/or Presentation.

Complete the following internet research regarding your book’s author.

- Go to Google.com. Type the name of your author.
- Follow the link to his/her own web site or the publisher’s site (don’t go to Wikipedia because collaborative encyclopedias are not usually used for scholarly research).
- Complete the following table

Questions	Answers
An interesting fact about your author	
Awards your author earned	
Statements on their web site on challenged books, freedom of information, censorship, banned books, etc.	