Mr. McLean Quarter 4, 2015

Banned Book Essay

Many books have been challenged and/or successfully banned by a school, community, or other group for various reasons. After you have completed your quarter 4 outside reading (banned books), you will write an essay considering the following:

-Where, when and why was the book banned? Was the proposed ban universal or was it limited to a specific segment of society? Was the ban passed unanimously? If not, by what percentage did the group agree?

-What are the intrinsic (fundamental, essential, deep-down) values of this book? Does it teach valuable lessons or explore important issues? Does it cast light on a historical era or a group of people, etc. ?

-And finally, should access to this book be banned, required, or limited?

The usual rules apply –

Complete heading

Original title

12 pt. Times New Roman

Double spaced

No extra lines between paragraphs

No 1st or 2nd person pronouns

No slang (except when quoted from text)