

Essay Prompts on Adolescence

Identity and Self-Discovery

Examine how cultural, social, or familial expectations influence the adolescent characters' search for identity in literature.

Coming-of-Age and Transition

Analyze how literature represents the tension between innocence and experience in adolescence.

Family and Authority

Examine the conflict between adolescent characters and parental or societal authority figures in literature. How does this tension drive character development?

Gender, Sexuality, and Social Roles

In what ways do societal expectations regarding gender or class complicate adolescent self-expression in literature?