The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian – Persuasive Assignment

It’s time to argue!

Sherman Alexie’s book, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* discusses many personal issues that Alexie faced growing up on the Spokane Reservation. After reading the book, your job is to create a persuasive argument defending your position on one of the following statements about the book:

- *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, by Sherman Alexie, should be banned.
- OR
- Every teenager should read *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, by Sherman Alexie.

Criteria:

- Choose from one of argumentative main ideas above
- Create sub-arguments examining the different aspects of the main idea
- Use specific examples from the book (text-to-text), your own experiences (text-to-self), and the media, or world in general to support your argument (text-to-world)
  - Include at least two quotations from the book
- Link your examples back to the main idea, especially in the concluding sentence of each paragraph
- Organize your ideas so that they flow logically and work to support your main idea
- Include transitional words or phrases between all ideas