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Writing Plan

Topic #1: A novel presents the author’s view on a particular aspect of life. Identify and agree or

disagree with the author’s point of view.

Thesis statement: In his novel, *The Catcher in the Rye*, author J.D. Salinger expresses, through

his fascinating use of character, setting and symbol, that growing up – whether

we wantto or not – is inevitable and a natural part of human life.

1. Character – Holden and Phoebe

a) “You don’t like anything that’s happening.” P. 187

b) “I’d just be the catcher in the rye and all.” P. 191

d) “She reached into my pocket and took out my red hunting hat and put it on my

head.”P. 233

2. Setting – The Museum of Natural History

a) “I loved that damn museum.” P. 134

b) “The best thing, though, in that museum was that everything always stayed right

where it was.” P. 135

3. Symbol – The carousel

a) “The song the carousel was playing was, ‘Smoke Gets in Your Eyes.’ ” P. 232

b) “I was damn near bawling, I felt so damn happy.” P. 233