E JERICHO HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

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MS. FISCHER
ENGLISH 2
LITERATURE
THE CATCHER IN THE RYE

Reflection Cards on Holden Trial

Part 1: Complete before the trial begins.
Based on your understanding of the novel and the research you performed for this trial, do you think Holden Caulfield needs to be kept in a mental hospital? *Write your answer in the form of an introduction paragraph for tomorrow's persuasive essay. Introduce the novel, set up your topic, and conclude with a thesis statement that clearly indicates your position on this issue.*

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Part 2: Complete after the conclusion of the trial.
Based on the evidence and witness testimony presented on trial, did you change your mind about whether or not Holden should be kept in the mental hospital? If you changed your mind, please explain what made you change your position. If you did not change your mind, please jot down some of the reasons presented at trial that support your position.

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