Reading Journal 1 (102)

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In this exam, you have two goals (1) demonstrate that you have read and understand the text in general (p. 1-152), not just a page here and there, and (2) demonstrate that you can use specific events from the book to explain what the book is saying about a theme. In the book, Tara develops her ideas about different aspects of her life. The topic that I want you to write about is “growing up.” Explain what Tara seems to think of the theme of making life decisions, conflicting with family beliefs, Tara’s own family’s beliefs, growing up, questions like that. Refer to a minimum of two separate events, indicating the page number of the event in parentheses (p. 48), and connect those events to the broader storylines (p. 1-152). You do not need quotes. Just write in your own words. Write a minimum of 175 words. In general, writing more is better. Please count your words.