



**This is a graded discussion: 5 points possible**

due Aug 6, 2020



Discussion: Choose your Own Adventure/Article

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**Initial post due: Thursday 8/6 by 11:59pm**

**Responses to two peers due: Saturday 8/8 by 11:59pm**

As a teacher, you will meet students who struggle with mental illness, or an identity that alienates them. You had the option to read one of three different articles, each related to mental and emotional welfare of teens, and the impact this can have on adolescent development. Draw connections between your article, "Why you truly never leave high school," and the textbooks as you explore what your article revealed about how teenagers' mental wellness develops.

**Important:** Transgenderism is NOT a mental illness. The article on trans teens is included here because trans youth are highly likely to experience anxiety or depression. 40% of trans people report attempting suicide in their lifetimes. For more on this, see [this link](https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/LGBTQ_MentalHealth_OnePager.pdf) ([https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/LGBTQ\\_MentalHealth\\_OnePager.pdf](https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/LGBTQ_MentalHealth_OnePager.pdf)).

**Discussion Rubric:**

### INITIAL POST POINTS

***Includes no sources - no points***

*A well-developed, insightful post of **at least 250 words** that demonstrates understanding of the material while synthesizing **THREE or more** sources from the course (including supplementary material and textbooks)*

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### REPLY TO 2 PEERS POINTS

***Responds to 0 or 1 peer - no points***

*Addresses peer's responses, poses additional insight or questioning in **at least 100 words**.*

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