

CS 4001 Extra Credit “Book Review / Reflections”

You will submit a paper that has two parts, a short book review followed by a longer book reflection. Clearly label the two sections of your paper with separate headers.

Format: approx 4-6 pages, double spaced, 12 point Times-Roman font

Description:

Earlier in the semester you selected a book to read. Now you will be reporting on that book.

Review Instructions:

For the book you chose, write a brief review of the book. Devote approximately one paragraph to each of the bullet items below. Your review should be well written, with no grammatical, syntax, or punctuation errors. With the exception of the last bullet point below, your report should be written from a neutral point of view. We expect a good book review will take around 2 pages double spaced.

Specifically address:

- Subject: What was the plot/story of the book? Give a brief synopsis. This should NOT be an exhaustive retelling of the book. Stick to the high points of the story or the parts that interested you the most. Also include the main characters and what roles they played.
- What ethical issues arose in the book and how were they addressed?
- Discuss at least one strength and one weakness of the book.
- Did you enjoy the book? Why or why not? Would you recommend it to others?

Reflection Instructions:

As you read the book, try to note what themes arise from the book. Try to relate the stories and anecdotes to your life and your “career” thus far as a student here at Georgia Tech. Reflect on your experiences in your courses or work history and write an opinion paper about what you read and how you see the themes applying to your own life. Do not repeat your book report (plot summary) which are covered in the book review portion of this assignment. If you turn in a summary for the "reflections" part of this assignment, you will receive a bad grade. The paper should be coherent and well written, with no spelling, grammar, or syntax mistakes. Your reflections should be approximately 2-4 pages long.