

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

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 Hypocrisy **Self-Reliance** **Other Approved Topic**

Requirements: 3-5 pages typed, 12-point easily legible font, double spaced, 1-inch margins

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