CONSENT FORM

Georgia Institute of Technology
Project Title: Forging Connections between Class and Real Life Using Reading Assignments
Investigators:
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- Thad Starner, Georgia Institute of Technology

You are being asked to be a volunteer in a research study.
- We are investigating your attitudes about Computer Science and future careers in CS

Purpose:
The purpose of this study is:
- To better understand the relevance of course materials
- To understand how students form connections between their daily lives and the course material they are presented

Requirements:
If you decide to be in this study, your part will involve:
- Completing the “book reflections” assignment referenced in the syllabus.
- You will not be asked to complete any extra assignments. This form merely gives us permission to analyze the essay you have already written.

Risks/Discomforts
The following risks/discomforts may occur as a result of your participation in this study:
- You will face no risks in this study beyond those that could occur in typing a paper or completing classwork.

Benefits
The following benefits to you are possible as a result of being in this study:
- You are not likely to benefit in any way from joining this study.

Compensation to You
- There is no compensation for participating in this study.

The following procedures will be followed to keep your personal information confidential in this study:
- The data that is collected about you will be kept private to the extent allowed by law. To protect your privacy, your records will be kept under a code number rather than by name. Your records will be kept in locked files and only study staff will be allowed to look at them. Your name and any other fact that might point to you will not appear when results of this study are presented or published.
- To make sure that this research is being carried out in the proper way, the Georgia Institute of Technology IRB will review study records. The Office of Human Research Protections may also look at study records.

Costs to You
- There are no costs to you as a participant in this study.

In Case of Injury/Harm
If you are injured as a result of being in this study, please contact Thad Starner, Principal Investigator at telephone (404) 385-0816. Neither the Principal Investigator nor Georgia
Institute of Technology have made provision for payment of costs associated with any injury resulting from participation in this study.

**Subject Rights**
- Your participation in this study is voluntary. You do not have to be in this study if you don't want to be.
- Your grades will in no way be influenced or affected by your participation in this study.
- You have the right to change your mind and leave the study at any time without giving any reason, and without penalty.
- Any new information that may make you change your mind about being in this study will be given to you.
- You will be given a copy of this consent form to keep.
- You do not waive any of your legal rights by signing this consent form.

**Questions about the Study or Your Rights as a Research Subject**
If you have any questions about the study, you may contact Thad Starner, Principal Investigator at telephone (404) 385-0816 or email at thad@cc.gatech.edu. If you have any questions about your rights as a research subject, you may contact Ms. Melanie Clark, Georgia Institute of Technology at (404) 894-6942 or email her at melanie.clark@osp.gatech.edu.

A copy of this form will be given to you.

*If you sign below, it means that you have read (or have had read to you) the information given in this consent form, and you would like to be a volunteer in this study.*

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**Participant Name**  (Print)

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**Participant Signature**

**Date**

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**Signature of Person Obtaining Consent**

**Date**