

Internet Sites About



Censorship & Literature

The National Council of Teachers of English

<http://www.ncte.org/about/issues/censorship>

What You Need to Know about Literature

<http://classiclit.about.com/cs/bannedliterature/>

The Online Books Page

<http://digital.library.upenn.edu/books/banned-books.html>

Electronic Frontier Foundation Defending Freedom in the Digital World

<http://www.eff.org/br/>

Censorship and Intellectual Freedom Page

<http://php.indiana.edu/~quinnjf/censor.html>

Loyola University Chicago Libraries: Banned Books and Censorship, Information and Resources

<http://libraries.luc.edu/about/exhibits/banned/index.shtml>

American Library Association

www.ala.org

American Civil Liberties Union

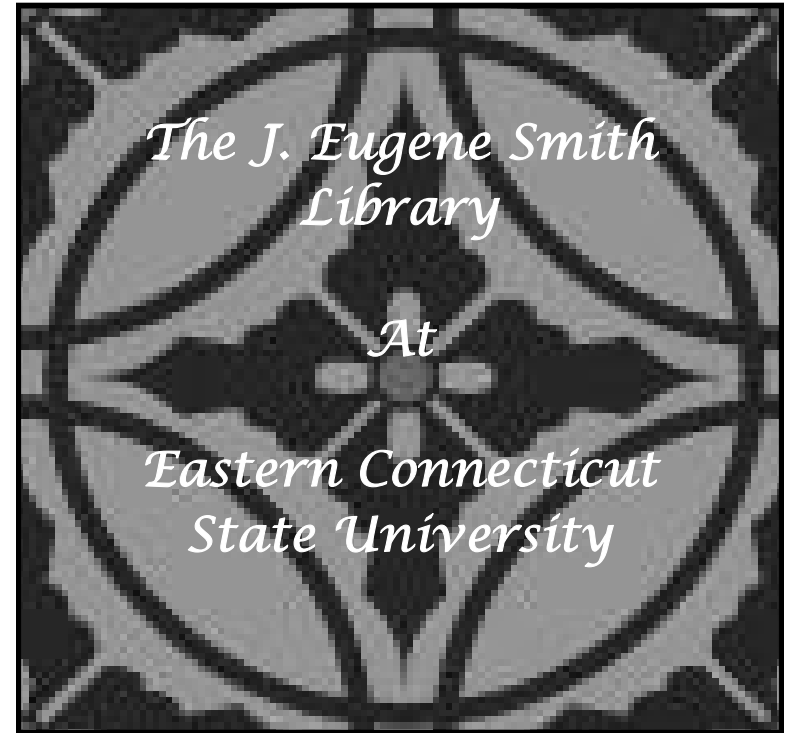
<http://www.aclu.org/>

Free Expression Network/Clearinghouse

www.freeexpression.org

National Coalition Against Censorship

<http://www.ncac.org/>



Presents

The Banned & Challenged Literature Collection

1st Floor, Curriculum Center

*Over 70 Titles on Display with
Documentation for Reason(s) for
Banned & Challenged Status*

Words for Thought



"The first step in liquidating a people is to erase its memory. Destroy its books, its culture, its history. Then have somebody write new books, manufacture a new culture, invent a new history. Before long the nation will begin to forget what it is, and what it was. The world around will forget even faster."

Novelist Milan Kundera

"Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear."

-- Harry S. Truman, message to Congress, August 8, 1950

"Don't join the book burners. Don't think you are going to conceal thoughts by concealing evidence that they ever existed."

-- Dwight D. Eisenhower, speech at Dartmouth College, June 14, 1953

"Books won't stay banned. They won't burn. Ideas won't go to jail. In the long run of history, the censor and the inquisitor have always lost. The only sure weapon against bad ideas is better ideas. The source of better ideas is wisdom. The surest path to wisdom is a liberal education."

-- Alfred Whitney Griswold, Essays on Education

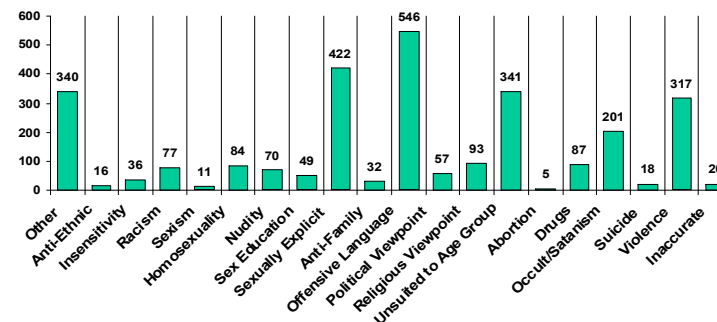
"Children deprived of words become school dropouts; dropouts deprived of hope behave delinquently. Amateur censors blame delinquency on reading immoral books and magazines, when in fact, the inability to read anything is the basic trouble."

-- Peter S. Jennison



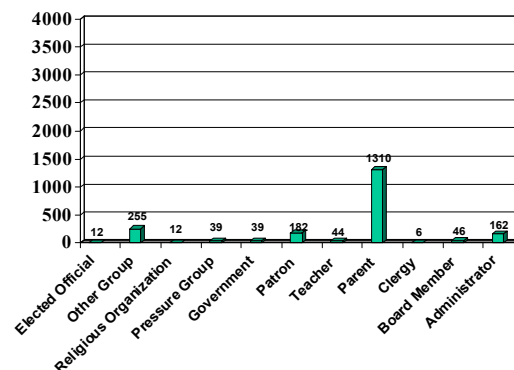
Documented Reasons for the Banning or Challenging of Titles and the Initiator of Such

OIF Censorship Database 2000-2003
Challenges by Type



Out of 2067 challenges recorded between January 1, 2000, and December 31, 2003, by the Office for Intellectual Freedom. The Office for Intellectual Freedom does not claim comprehensiveness in recording challenges. Research suggests that for each challenge reported there are as many as four or five which go unreported.

OIF Censorship Database 2000-2003
Initiator of Challenge



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