**Reflection: Exploratory Essay** 

This assignment was interesting and very helpful for my personal growth in the class. I really tried to get out of my comfort zone and choose a book I loved as a child but didn't really understand back then. Analyzing the story now and after reading Bettelheim, I really was able to dissect the deeper meanings and symbolism all throughout the tale. After the assignment I have really been exposed to the fact that fairy tales are really all around us, anything can be seen from that point of view, and the fact is we go through the same struggles of finding ourselves and going through our journeys as any princess in any fairy tale. The assignment itself wasn't that difficult, I think the part I had the most trouble with is using in text citation. I did the actual essay in two hours the day it was due, which is another one of my issues with procrastination, I just can't seem to really pressure myself to get an assignment done before the due date. In addition, through the assignment I was able to work on my grammar and punctuation and improve my skills overall as a writer, with the feedback I received I realize the areas I can keep improving in!