# Literature Circle Roles

Researcher

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**Meeting Date Tuesday, December 3 Reading Assignment pg 76-114**

**Book Lullabies for Little Criminals**

**Researcher:** Your job is to dig up some background information on any relevant topic related to your book. This might include

* The geography, weather, culture, or history of the book’s setting
* Pertinent information about the author and other related works
* Information about the time period portrayed in the book
* Information on any topics or events represented in the book
* Information on any topics or events that may have influenced the author
* Pictures, objects, or materials that illustrate elements of the book
* The history and derivation of words or names used in the book
* Information about any character that is based on a historical person

This is *not* a formal research report. The idea is to find some information or material that helps your group understand the book better. Investigate something that really interests you – something that struck you as puzzling or curious while you were reading.

# Ways of gathering information:

* The introduction, preface, or “about the author” section of the book
* Library books and magazines
* On-line computer search or encyclopedia
* Interviews with people who know the topic
* Other novels, nonfiction, or textbooks you’ve read

Montreal district was known to help US Mafia during the prohibition. A red district is known for illegal business such as, prostitution, gambling, illicit taverns. In the past all the illegal activity was more known and open but now it is more discreet and hidden. There’s no red light district with borders it’s more of just a known area that is the red light district. In 2007, the government wanted to clean up the area and make it better but some people thought it would take away Montreal’s culture and heritage. In the past, it was so bad that the police wouldn’t go there, the church wouldn’t go there, you could get away with things you wouldn’t be able to get away with in other places.