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Banning books is a practice that undermines the principles of intellectual freedom, diversity, and the free exchange of ideas. It restricts individuals' right to access information, hampers critical thinking, and limits opportunities for personal growth and understanding. Instead of banning books, we should promote open dialogue, educate ourselves about different perspectives, and trust individuals to make their own informed choices about what they read. Embracing a diverse range of ideas and encouraging intellectual exploration fosters a society that values knowledge, empathy, and the freedom to think for oneself.