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Dear Mr. Doyle,

On the advice of X, Y, and Z, who all suggested that my work was a very tight fit with your list, I enclose for your consideration a proposal for a book on Thomas Pynchon and philosophy.

Thomas Pynchon, consistently named by Harold Bloom as the most important living American author, is famed for his lengthy, complex and erudite works of fiction. Given these characteristics, it is surprising that the philosophical dimensions of Pynchon's works remains unexplored. My book, titled *Pynchon and Philosophy*, comprehensively and clearly redresses this balance, mapping Pynchon's interactions with the philosophy, ethics and politics of Ludwig Wittgenstein, Michel Foucault and Theodor W. Adorno, resulting in a fresh approach to these seminal novels.

Complementing your current books on American literature, the manuscript for *Pynchon and Philosophy* has met with enthusiasm, with Professor Y, of the University of U, calling it "immensely impressive ... pursuing an original, complex and important argument" and describing the theoretical methodology as "so powerful". Likewise, Professor Z, of Another University, notes that "this work sounds fantastic ... I'd buy it and would encourage my students to do likewise".

Please find enclosed, alongside this letter, the proposal itself, my current curriculum vitae and the sample introductory chapter. The manuscript is ready for delivery and runs to approximately 85,000 words.

I hope that this is of interest and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Paul Eve