

Animal Farm writing assignment

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper.

Chapter 1: In your own words, summarize the message that Old Major gives to the other animals.

Chapter 2: What do you think happens to the missing milk at the end of this chapter? How is this an example of “foreshadowing”?

Chapter 3: Why did Napoleon choose to educate the young animals rather than the older ones as Snowball did?

Chapter 4: Which two animals are decorated as heroes after the “Battle of the Cowshed”?

Chapter 5: What tactics does Napoleon use to gain control of the farm?

Chapter 6: Explain how the pigs manipulate the Commandments for their own benefit.

Chapter 7: Why is the singing of “Beasts of England” banned by Napoleon?

Chapter 8: Why do you think that the humans specifically targeted the windmill in their attack on “Animal Farm”?

Chapter 9: Explain how the death of Boxer represents both a tragic and climactic scene in the novel.

Chapter 10: Orwell created this novel as a political attack on Stalinist Russia. Explain how the last scene in the novel reflects the political history of early Russian communism.