"EVOLUTION OF THE PIGS" PROJECT

DUE: May 22

In George Orwell's *Animal Farm*, the pigs, led by Napoleon, Snowball, and Squealer, slowly begin to take charge of Animal Farm. Although they claim that all traits of man are evil, by the end of the book the pigs themselves have adopted many of these traits, including their mistreatment of the other animals.

"To evolve" means "to change over time." For this project, you will *evaluate* and *analyze* the *evolution* of the pigs that live on Animal Farm. You will create a timeline to trace how the pigs change throughout the book.

Your timeline should include the following information:

- 1. A title: You should include the title of the novel and the author.
- 2. 15 Quotations with Explanations: These quotations should be about the pigs and their actions and should help to demonstrate the change that occurs in the pigs throughout the book. This quote does not have to be directly from dialogue but can be from what the narrator says about any of the pigs. Your quotes should SPAN THE ENTIRE BOOK. They may not all come from a single section of the book. Each quotation should be properly introduced (by noting who is speaking) and cited in MLA format with page numbers. Each quotation should also be followed by an explanation as to how the quotation reveals someone about the pigs' changing character. See the example at the bottom for additional help.
- 3. **Illustrations:** *At least* 5 appropriate illustrations should be included. You may include more illustrations if you would like. These illustrations may be relevant clip art, drawings, magazine clippings, etc. All illustrations should be appropriate and relate to the quotation or explanation. You should use scissors and glue neatly. All illustrations must have color unless approved by me before turning them in.
- 4. You may **not** use pencil on this assignment. Everything should be written in pen or typed.
- 5. Format: Your timeline can be in multiple formats—a posterboard, construction paper tied together, a booklet, a PowerPoint, a Prezi, an online timeline. You will receive a limited amount of time to complete this in class so please choose a format that you can complete at home as well.

1st Quotation and Sample Explanation:

Old Major tells the other animals, "And, above all, no animal must ever tyrannise over his own kind. Weak or strong, clever or simple, we are all brothers. No animal must ever kill any other animal. All animals are equal" (31).

At this point in the book, Old Major is trying to inspire the other animals toward rebellion. He outlines his thoughts, which include the idea that all animals are created equal and that no animal should rule over another animal in a harsh or cruel manner.

Brainstorming Chart

This brainstorming chart should be submitted with your final project.

Ch./page#	Quote	Explanation
Ex. Ch. 1 p.31	Old Major says, "And, above all, no animal must ever tyrannise over his own kind. Weak or strong, clever or simple, we are all brothers. No animal must ever kill any other animal. All animals are equal."	At this point in the book, Old Major is trying to inspire the other animals toward rebellion. He outlines his thoughts, which include the idea that all animals are created equal and that no animal should rule over another animal in a harsh or cruel manner.
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