

English 222  
Lord of the Flies  
Reader Response Entries



A reader response journal entry is to be submitted for selected chapters of Lord of the Flies. A reader response entry should be your thoughtful response to the chapter- along with a quotation that strikes you as meaningful or important and is related to the prompt in some way. While there is no absolute right or wrong response in a reader response journal, it is your responsibility to actively read, and then prepare a response that will demonstrate that you are an informed reader and that you have absorbed the literature authored by William Golding. If you encounter a day when you find the reading particularly difficult you need to re-read the chapter with the particular prompt in mind.

General Requirements:

- ✓ You are \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord of the Flies.
- ✓ You will respond to the following chapters: 2, 3, 4, 7,8, 9, and 12
- A. After each chapter, consider what is going on in your character's mind as a result of the events that transpire in the chapter. Write a paragraph for each chapter describing the character's reaction/comment to the sequence of events in the respective chapters. I am looking for reflections on the dilemmas the character faces, not plot summaries! These should be written in the first person or "I" form and need to be **substantive**. Please note, writing more does not necessitate substantive.
- B. The second paragraph of the entry must relate to the ideas reflected upon in the first paragraph and discuss how the events in the novel connect to your life or the society in which we live. This may be either a positive or negative connection. You must really think! Consider our society and what goes on in the world. This should not be done in the "voice" of your character, but from your point of view.
- C. Finally, select a significant quote from the chapter and discuss why it is important. Make reference to the quote in terms of literary quality such as setting, theme, character, symbol, or simile/metaphor. You can also address: What's the bigger picture? That is to say, what is Golding commenting on with the quote?

All entries are to be formatted as follows:

Name:

Date:

Chapter Number:

Quotation for the chapter: