

Small Group Discussion

In your small group, you'll need to answer the following questions. You also need to come up with one quote for any three questions. The quote needs to support the answer to a question or it could be something you found interesting. Put a star next to the questions you used a quote for. Use YOUR BOOK to find specific examples!

1. What does Simon discover about the ape-like beast? How does he feel when he makes the discovery?
2. Why do you think Simon released the tangled parachute lines? What does this show you about him?
3. Why do Ralph and Piggy go to the pig roast? Why do they really go?
4. When Ralph and Piggy come upon Jack's party, what is it that "breaks the ice" again? Do you know anyone who ends up being the scapegoat?
5. Jack "looked down from behind his paint at Ralph and Piggy." What does that mean?
6. How does Ralph feel the morning after Simon is killed?

7. Eventually, how do Ralph, Piggy, Sam, and Eric deal with their consciences? Did they show typical reactions to guilt?

8. How does Jack's leadership style differ from Ralph's? Make a T-diagram.

9. Why does Jack have Wilfred beaten?

10. Ralph tries to motivate Sam and Eric to keep the fire going, but he finds he can't remember what is good about the fire. Why not? What do you think is happening to him?

11. Why does Jack's group attack the four boys in their hut?

12. During the attack, it seemed to Ralph that there were a dozen others. Why?

13. Looking at your DSJ's, what questions does your group still have from last night's reading?