Civics 2014

Lord of Flies

Chapter 1: Study Questions

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Lord of the Flies Study Questions

As you read the novel, keep in mind that the behavior of the characters is meant to be indicative of human nature in a general sense, not simply a reflection of the behavior of boys. What insights into (or opinions about) human nature do the characters’ actions reveal?

Note: The highlighted questions are the ones I think are the most important and/or interesting

questions to reflect on and discuss.

Chapter 1: “The Sound of the Shell”

1. Describe the major characters: Ralph, Piggy, and Jack.

2. What instances of foreshadowing occur in this chapter? What predictions can you make about what

sorts of things might happen later in the novel?

3. What do the boys‟ attitudes and actions (e.g. Ralph‟s joy at being free of “grownups,” the vote for

leader, Ralph‟s telling the other boys about Piggy‟s nickname) reveal about human nature?

4. What is the significance (the meaning and importance) of the boys‟ encounter with the wild piglet?

5. What do you think the “sound of the shell” and the conch itself might symbolize?