

Animal Farm Study Guide

Chapters 1-5

1. Why did the pigs get the job of teaching and organizing?

2. What actually brought about the rebellion?

3. What were the Seven Commandments?

4. Who gained leadership of the animals? Why?

5. Describe the animals' flag.

6. What happened to the milk and apples? How did Squealer rationalize that?

7. What was the Battle of the Cowshed?

8. What was Snowball's role in the Battle of the Cowshed?

9. Describe the relationship between Napoleon and Snowball.

10. What topic divided the animals? Which pig was for and which was against?

11. How did Napoleon get rid of Snowball and gain full control of the animals?

12. What changes did Napoleon make first?

13. How did Squealer justify Napoleon's take-over to the others?

14. What two maxims did Boxer adopt?

15. Why did Napoleon change his mind and decide to have the animals build the windmill?

1. Fill in the chart, describing each character. Be sure to include not only physical traits, but personality traits also.

Character	Character Traits
Old Major	
Boxer	
Clover	
Benjamin	
Mollie	
Mr. Jones	
Snowball	
Napoleon	
Squealer	
Moses	

2. Why did Old Major call the meeting of the animals?

3. After they vote and decide rats are comrades, Major summarizes his points for the animals to remember. What are they?

4. What is "Beasts of England"? For what does it stand?

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Chapters 6-10

Directions: Answer the following questions fully. Please elaborate on your answers. (No one-word answers, please!)

Chapter 6

1. Why did Napoleon begin trading?

2. Why did the pigs say they had to move into the house?

3. Who did Napoleon blame for the disaster? Why?

Chapters 7-8

4. Why did the hens have to give up their eggs?

5. How has Snowball's role been changed?

6. Why did Napoleon begin executing animals?

7. Whom did Boxer blame for the executions? What was his solution?

8. Why did the animals sing "Beasts of England" slowly and mournfully as they were gathered on the knoll?

9. Why was the song banned?

10. In what ways has Napoleon set himself apart from the other animals?

11. How did Frederick cheat Napoleon?

Chapters 9-10

12. What special treatment did the pigs and piglets get?

13. What happened to Boxer?

14. What was Clover startled to discover?

15. What commandment took the place of the Seven Commandments?

16. What did the other animals see when they looked in the farmhouse?