

'Animal Farm' by George Orwell

Anticipation Guide

1) Guess the word after reading its definition:

A. A person who rules a country with complete control and often in a cruel way.

D _____

B. People who have the power to give orders.

A _____

C. Someone or something that has the same importance as someone or something else and deserves the same treatment.

E _____

D. A person in control of a group, country, or situation.

L _____

E. A change in the way a country is governed, usually to a different political system and often using violence or war.

R _____

F. Violent action organized by a group of people who are trying to change the political system in their country.

R _____

G. An area of land, together with a house and building, used for growing crops and/or keeping animals as a business.

F _____

2) Next to each item, circle "true" or "false" based on your opinion:

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| A. All people are equal. | True | False |
| B. Usually the best and brightest people are leaders. | True | False |
| C. Some people are smarter than others. | True | False |
| D. A dictator can be easily overthrown. | True | False |
| E. The government usually does what's best for the most people. | True | False |
| F. You should always believe everything you're told by authorities. | True | False |
| G. Educated people are less easily controlled than uneducated people. | True | False |
| H. People always have the ability to make their own choices. | True | False |

3) Choose three of the sentences from activity 2 and explain the reason/s behind your opinion. Use these sentence starters:

"I believe... because..."

"I think... because..."

"In my opinion, ..."

4) Watch the PowerPoint and the video and answer the following questions in your own words and in complete sentences:

- A. What is an allegory?
- B. Who was George Orwell?
- C. What was his motivation for writing *Animal Farm*?
- D. What is totalitarianism?
- E. Why did he take an allegorical approach to criticize the Russian Revolution?
- F. At the end of the video, the man got a call from his mother on his phone. What comparison did he make? Why?