



Lord of the Flies: Chapter 6

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Characters

- Sam and Eric (Samneric)→ fell asleep and let out the fire, saw the “beastie” and ran to tell Ralph.
- Ralph→ as Chief he wanted to find the “Beastie”.
- Jack→ wants to find the Beastie, but more for hunting then keeping everyone safe (unlike Ralph’s reason). He also does not want Ralph to take all the glory if he finds the “Beastie”, and wants to builds forts in the new found land.
- Simon→ believes they are the beasts (everyone is creating the fear of the Beast making them the beast because they are scaring themselves)
- Piggy→ wants to go find the beastie with Ralph, but is told to look after the Littluns.



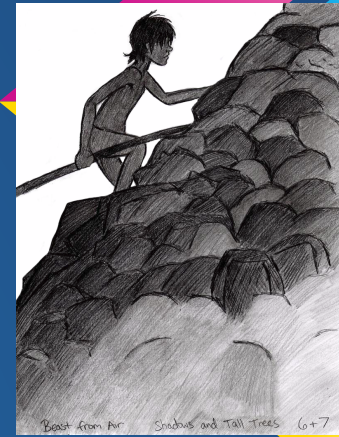
Major Plot Points

- There is a battle above the island and a dead soldier with parachute falls from the sky and lands on top of the island where Sam and Eric fell asleep tending the fire.
- When Sam and Eric wake up they think it is the “beastie” and they run away to tell the other kids.
- The kids believe them and the bigguns go search for the beastie (leaving Piggy behind to watch the littluns alone, without protection).
- Simon tries to talk to Ralph about how he does not believe that the beastie is real. Simon pictures “a human at once heroic and sick” (Golding 103).



More Major Plot Points!

- Since Ralph is the chief he decides to go up the mountain by himself because everyone else is too scared. While he is up there Jack decides to join him, Jack does not want to let him take all the glory.
- Of course the beast was not inside the cave, so the boys look at the view from on top of the mountain.
- Then all the boys go climb the hill and start playing around with the rocks, and say that they want to build a fort there.



Even More Major Plot Points!

- Ralph realizes that the flame is out and reprimands them for fooling around instead of looking for the beast or relighting the fire, the boys are annoyed by Ralph's commands at this point, but still reluctantly follow his orders.



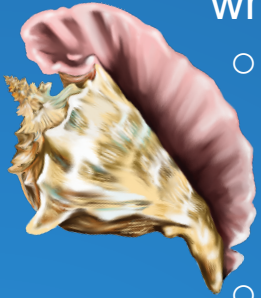
Ralph's Quotation

- “ I’m chief. We’ve got to make certain. Can’t you see the mountain? There’s no signal showing. There may be a ship out there. Are you all off your rockers?” (Golding 108).
 - Everyone is adapting to the land at this point and have given up hope to be rescued except Ralph (he wants the fire to be constantly lit because he believes someone will eventually find them).
 - When Ralph wants something he is beginning to take an advantage of his power as Chief to get everyone to do the things his way.



Jack Quotations

- “‘Conch! Conch!’ shouted Jack. ‘We don’t need the conch anymore. We know who ought to say things. What good did Simon do speaking, or Bill, or Walter? It’s time some people knew they’ve got to keep quiet and leave deciding things to the rest of us’”(Golding 101-102).
- “‘What about the littluns?’ ‘Sucks to the littluns!’...Suppose the beast comes when you’re all away”(Golding 101).
 - Jack is straying from civilization and become more savage. He says how the boys do not need the conch, but the conch is their only sense of civilization and order. The conch is their only connection to the real world (civilized world).
 - Jack is thinking and acting more like an animal. Animals have an instinct of survival where they try to keep themselves alive, they do not really care about other animals or think situations through. Jack too is only thinking of himself. He does not care what happens to the littluns and Piggy as long as he can do what he wants (hunt) and stay alive. His actions are impulsive, irresponsible and self-centered.



Simon's Quotation

- Simon tried to imagine the beast but could only picture “a human at once heroic and sick... [He didn't] believe in the beast” (Goulding 103-105).
 - Simon is a very religious figure in the novel (Jesus's brother, the name 'Simon' means to obey) and he thinks that they are actually the ones creating the beastie. He also believes that the beast is just an imaginary figure created from their evil human nature. The irony to this is that he is actually right and all of the boys laugh at him because he thinks this way.



Symbolism, Allegory, Allusion



- Simon says that he does not believe there is necessarily a beastie, but that they are actually the beasts due to their corrupt, evil personalities and behaviors. Their evil human nature is creating a beast in their imaginations, therefore they are the beast. (Beast- Satan/ Evil)
- The conch symbolizes government and order, and when Jack says that they do not need the conch he is taking away the only part of civilization they have on the island.
- In the beginning of the novel all of the boys were constantly trying to keep the fire going while now, the fire is constantly running out (especially when Sam and Eric woke up to the fire out in the middle of the night) which symbolizes that they are giving up hope of being rescued.

Freud, Maslow, Behavior, Social Interaction



- Ralph shows the characteristics of ego in Chapter 6 because he is constantly trying to be rescued while the rest of the kids are just having fun. He has a reality check when he realizes that the mountain has no signal in order to be rescued.
- Ralph also shows that he is very mature because he is the chief of the group. He makes decisions for the benefit of the group whilst they reluctantly follow his orders.
- Piggy is the super-ego because he consistently attempts to have some sort of social interaction with the other kids. He wants to have



More Freud, Maslow, Behavior, Social Interaction



- Jack is the id because he focuses on hunting and the basic needs of survival with no sense of reality.
- Jack has the “I WANT” attitude and does not care about how his actions will affect the others. Jack just does whatever he wants to do.
- *“Humans in the state of nature are not tainted by original sin, but are instead fully capable of choosing good or evil.” - Pelagius*
- In the Maslow pyramid, Jack has only reached the second level of the pyramid of having safety and only caring about himself. Ralph on the other hand, reaches a much higher level of being caring to the other kids, like a leader should.

Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

