

Essay Options:

#1

In the novel, *Lord of the Flies*, author William Golding constantly has the reader questioning the true nature of humans-whether it is good or bad.

In a well-developed composition, discuss the idea that humans are either essentially good or that humans are essentially bad. Choose one side and convince your audience (me) with detailed examples from the novel and at least two detailed examples from the last 75 years in history that support your position (humans are essentially good or that humans are essentially bad).

#2

In the novel, *Lord of the Flies*, William Golding presents two characters who vie to be the leader of the stranded boys, Ralph and Jack. In a well-developed composition, make a solid argument for who is the better leader, Jack or Ralph. You might want to consider what traits leaders tend to possess and how those traits manifest themselves in your chosen character. Or, you might want to reflect on goal achievement, and whether or not achieving goals makes for a good leader. Or, you might want to consider what role a leader should have in a society. Ultimately, you decide the criteria for a good leader (supported by evidence from history) and support your position with detailed evidence from the text.

#3

In the novel, *Lord of the Flies*, William Golding explores the influential role society plays in the world. In a well-developed composition, argue that man is born evil and needs society (people, laws, standards) to keep him in check, or argue that man is born innocent and is corrupted by society (the people, laws, events, etc., he experiences). You must use detailed evidence from the text to support your position. You might also want to use evidence from history to support your position.

Whatever option you choose, think about the symbols in the novel that might support your position. Think about the plot, conflicts, characterizations, setting, or other literary elements or devices Golding uses that might support your position.

Requirements:

- Complete ALL sections of this writing template. (brainstorm, organize, rough draft, proofread, and final copy)
- Meet the deadlines for each section's completion.
- Use MLA format for parenthetical citations and Works Cited.
- Put your name + class + heading at the top of your paper.
- 12 pt type, 1 " margins
- You MUST use transition words and phrases.

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LOTF 5- Paragraph Essay Writing Packet