

Animal Farm by George Orwell

STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS

Chapters 1 - 3

1. Identify Old Major, Boxer, Clover, Benjamin and Mollie.
2. For what purpose did 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?
5. Why did the pigs get the job of teaching and organizing?
6. Identify Snowball, Napoleon, Squealer and Moses.
7. What actually brought about the rebellion?
8. What were the Seven Commandments?
9. Who gained leadership of the animals? Why?
10. Describe the animals' flag.
11. What happened to the milk and apples? How did Squealer rationalize that?

Chapters 4 - 6

1. What was the Battle of the Cowshed?
2. What was Snowball's role in the Battle of the Cowshed?
3. Describe the relationship between Napoleon and Snowball.
4. What topic divided the animals? Which pig was for and which was against?
5. How did Napoleon get rid of Snowball and gain full control of the animals?
6. What changes did Napoleon make first?
7. How did Squealer justify Napoleon's take-over to the others?
8. What two maxims did Boxer adopt?
9. Why did Napoleon in fact change his mind and decide to have the animals build the windmill?
10. For what purpose did Napoleon begin trading?
11. Why did the pigs say they had to move into the house?
12. Who did Napoleon blame for the windmill disaster? Why?

Chapters 7 - 8

1. Why did the hens have to give up their eggs?
2. How has Snowball's role been changed by the end of Chapter 6?
3. Why did Napoleon begin executing animals?
4. Whom did Boxer blame for the executions? What was his solution?
5. Why did the animals sing the "Beasts of England" song slowly and mournfully as they were gathered on the knoll?
6. Why was the singing of "Beasts of England" banned?
7. In what ways has Napoleon set himself apart from the other animals?
8. How did Frederick cheat Napoleon?
9. What moved the animals to attack Frederick and his men at the Battle of the Windmill?
10. Why was Comrade Napoleon "dying"?

Chapters 9 - 10

1. What special treatment did pigs and piglets get?
2. What happened to Boxer?
3. The animals on the farm worked hard. What was their consolation?
4. What was Clover startled to discover?
5. What commandment took the place of the Seven Commandments?
6. What did the other animals see when they looked in to the farmhouse?