

Animal Farm Notes: January 22, 2014

- satire: noun/satirical (adj.): literary device (tool) using humor, irony, or exaggeration (ridicule) to expose people's stupidity or vices (faults).
- Examples of satire:
 - "The Simpsons" (TV show)
 - *Animal Farm* by George Orwell, both examples of satire
 - "fuse political purpose and artistic purpose into one whole."
 - said by George Orwell RE (regarding): *Animal Farm*
 - also an example—A Modest Proposal by Jonathan Swift
- allegory: noun: literary device (tool) in which characters/events in literary, visual or musical art form represents/symbolize ideas
 - big/gigantic metaphor
 - think about examples from *The Wizard of Oz*.
 - the lion represents cowardness, the Cowardly Lion.
 - think about *The Hunger Games* as being an allegory too.
 - allegories are perfect, they are generalization.
 - the Lion gets courage by the end.
- *Animal Farm* by George Orwell
 - can be considered an allegory and a satire.
 - published in August 1945, WWII was over in Europe and Japan.

This word should be added to your glossary for chapter 1 of *Animal Farm*:

knacker: noun: a person who buys worn-out or old livestock to sell it for its meat or hides.