

## **Monday, February 17, 2014**

Begin with a brief discussion of questions from Chapter 8 from last Thursday:

1. Why do the animals believe that the commandment on “killing other animals” has not been broken? What is your reaction to this?
2. How do the animals now feel about life compared to what it was like in Jones’ day?
3. Why is Napoleon angered to the point of pronouncing the death penalty upon Farmer Frederick? How is Napoleon tricked in dealing with the humans?
4. Why are the animals so strongly against trading with humans?
5. What is Boxer’s opinion on the “great victory”? Explain his thinking. What is yours?

**These notes are a compilation of the morning and afternoon sessions.**

### **Notes for *Animal Farm***

- Don’t want to accept that they’re lied to
- Animals can’t read
- Can’t remember
- Squealer-persuasive
  - skips
  - Jones
  - Loyalty to Napoleon
  - dogs
  - sheep
- Napoleon- changes to “without reason” cause
- Jones & dogs, sheep
- National Pride—nationalism
  
- higher animals = pigs, dogs
- lower animals = all else

Hierarchy of animals on Animal Farm:

- Napoleon
- pigs
- dogs

- Moses
- Mollie
- horses
- sheep
- chickens

In your SSEnglish write down your response to the following:

**What are your reactions to what happened in the final, two chapters of *Animal Farm*?**

- Napoleon lies

Republic on Animal Farm

- elected representative
- rule by the people through representatives
  
- Direct democracy vs indirect (representative) democracy.
- Syria has an elected president that does not follow its constitution.
- Allegory—Intimidation
- Constitution-rules of government (7 commandments in Animal Farm)
  - follows their ideology, Animalism
- US population today 317 million—direct democracy not possible.
- North Korea has a president but more like a monarchy—current leader got leadership when father died, passed down.
- Constitutional monarchy—constitution with laws of government. Example: Britain today.
  - Queen (monarch) just a figurehead, no real power any more.
  - prime minister similar to our president
  - House of Lords similar to the US Senate
  - House of Commons similar to US House of Representatives
- Monarchy passed down through bloodlines
  
- Old Major's vision