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### **The features of the boys**

————— *Lord of the Flies*

#### **Introduction**

In this book report, I will divide into three parts. In the first part I will introduce the features of the 4 main boys—Ralph, Jack, Piggy, Simon. For second part I will introduce them, and analyze them, and then I will write the connection between each boys and each kind of correspond person in the society. At last I will say something for my own opinion.

#### **Introduction of the main characters in the book**

The story have been happen on an island, which did't have other people without the boys. In the book *Lord of the Flies*, there are four main characters: Ralph, Jack, Piggy, Simon. They are four different people. The first one , Ralph, he is a person that act like a leader. The second one is Jack. Jack is the rebel from the story, and he has the totally different idea from Ralph. The third one is Piggy. Piggy is the person who has a lot of knowledge, and knows a lot of things. The final one is Simon. Simon is one of the most important people too. He is kind. His behavior shows that he is one of the kindest person in the book, and I think he represents the “good” person.

#### **Ralph**

Ralph is a person that leads everybody. He is a leader. He has the temperament of a leader. The first symbol— conch. The couch is found by Piggy but the first meeting is collected by Ralph and then everybody chooses him to be the leader. When he is the leader, he uses the way that applies the rules of a civilized society. He always lets everybody to raise up their hand to vote. He want to listen to everybody's idea. When Ralph lead the boys, the main things they do is to get the way to be rescue. He lets some boys to set fire, and let other boys to hunt the food.

He makes a lot of rules in the island. He want it to be equal, and democracy. But Ralph do some wrong things. The things is that he tells everybody apart Piggy's name. Piggy did not want him to tells others. Here I think it shows thesis the west democracy society is not perfect. It has a lot of mistakes, and it can be more sophisticated.

Ralph represents a kind of person in the society. He represents the "leader". The leader is a kind of person that can lead and help the confused people, and give them a way to let them know what they need to do. In the book *Lord of the Flies*, Ralph is a person that same as a leader. He leads the rest of the boys. He tells them the way that can help them.

### **Piggy**

Piggy is a person who had a lot of knowledge. He knows a lot. In the book, remember in the first time they are trying to fire, is piggy thought the way that can fire it.

Piggy is always being laughed. He is the represent of rationality. Same as Ralph, the final things they wants is to be rescued. But Piggy was killed by Jack. He use himself to defend the rationality. Piggy always telling the sense of a things. But in the most cases, the rest of the boys can't understand what he is saying. "The truth is know by the minority."

In the society, Piggy is the represent a kind of person—scholar. He knows a lot, and he is a rational person. He always use his knowledge to help on the island. This kind of people always have a high academic major. But why Ralph at the end is dead? He is a person that can get trust from a lot of people. Because he knows the truth and he has a lot of knowledge to support him. But in *Lord of the Flies*, because the human nature, everybody leaves him away, and follows Jack.

### **Jack**

Jack is the rebel from the story. He represents the savage, and is fierce. He is a person that really like hunting. He leads many of the boys to hunt with him. They hunt the pig and concrete to the monster, whether it is themselves. He hunts, and he is enjoys the process of hunting. Hunting releases his human nature.

The next thing that happens in the plot are Jack and the other boys are dancing and eating the pig they have hunted. They are surrounding the fire. In this part, it shows a lot of the human nature. In the end, I

think Jack cannot control himself, and he does not know what he is doing. Because his human nature is exposed, and I think some of his behavior is decided by his subconscious.

In the society that we lived, Jack is the rebels. In our thoughts, Jack must be the bad person in this story, or society. But Jack is just being himself. He did not know his behavior is bad. He just follows his heart, and does the things he thinks is right. Maybe this is our nature.

### **Simon**

Simon is the most secret person on the island. I think he represents the “kindness person”. In the book, his behavior is always kind, and pure. He loved the nature, the evidence I found in the book. One times he is in the forest, and he saw a worm that is dying. He saved the little worm, and let it survive.

The truth is found by Simon. Simon found the truth about the monster. The most irony things is, when Simon wants to tells everyone about the monster, the boys(except Ralph and Piggy) killed him. “The dead of Simon is like the ethics and morality that underpin stake in human society have been removed, and society has been plunged into a state of chaos.” They did’t care about the monster anymore. The next things they want is to killing Ralph and Piggy. This is the transition in the book. Everybody’s attention is on the beast before, but when Simon is dead, everybody’s attention is on Ralph and Piggy. I think the author let Simon dead, but the spirit of Simon does not die.

Simon is the kindness person in the book. In the society there are so many people like him. His chartists is very easy to find out. It is kindest. He’s heart is full of kind. But the author’s opinion is the human nature is evil, so Simon died.

These boys represent to the different people in our society. Ralph represents the Civilized society, and Jack represents to the Barbarian society. The main difference of these two society is that Civilized societies have rules, and the Ethical standards, but the Barbarian society does not have any rules in it.

The human nature can’t be controlled by ourselves, so it is not the fault of anyone.

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