

Comprehension Questions: Answer as you read

Chapter 1:

1. Why is it important that the boys got to the island after an "attack."
2. What are "the fat boy" and "the fair boy's" main concerns?
3. Why is "the fat boy" proud that he has asthma?
4. What do the boys think they should make?
5. What doesn't "the fat boy" want to be called?
6. What does Ralph's dad do for a living?
7. Who is going to rescue them?
8. What do the boys use as a symbol of authority in the society they form?
9. What prevents Piggy from being the natural leader?
10. What happens when Ralph blows on the conch?
11. How do the boys know to sit down?
12. Describe the scene when Jack emerges with the choir?
13. What are they wearing?
14. Why does Piggy want Ralph in charge?
15. Describe the power struggle between Jack and Ralph when they are choosing a chief.
16. How does Ralph win?
17. Who would you have chosen?
18. Why does Ralph respect Jack more than Piggy?
19. Who are the hunters, and what are their jobs?
20. What is Piggy's job?
21. What do Ralph and Simon think they should do as they explore the island?
22. What is the significance of Ralph's statement, "This belongs to us." when speaking of the island?
23. Why does Jack hesitate when he lifts his knife to kill the piglet?
24. What does Jack promise will happen next time?