

Expanding the Allegorical View

Part A.

Directions: Read the following descriptions of different types of allegories.

Moral allegory—In a moral allegory, the author tells a story to teach a lesson, usually one about good and evil.

Social allegory—Social allegories deal with civilization, the social structures with which human beings try to organize themselves.

Religious allegory—Allegories of this type often deal with issues of salvation and damnation.

Part B.

Directions: *Lord of the Flies* can be read as all three types of allegory. What might each of the following represent? What meanings does the allegory suggest?

1. Piggy

2. Ralph

3. Jack

4. the conch

5. the Lord of the Flies

6. the dead paratrooper

7. the huts

8. Piggy's glasses

9. the fire at the end

10. the naval officer