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Post-Reading Activity for *Animal Farm*

The *theme* in a work of fiction is the underlying idea that the plot is trying to promote. In *Animal Farm* several themes are promoted. Choose one of the following and explain how the novel illustrated this idea. Use the five paragraph model or Hamburger Model to write your paper.

1. Man's inhumanity to man may occur for the sake of political gain.
2. People who start out with the best intentions often fall prey to their own evils of pride and hypocrisy.
3. Propaganda can enable governments to bend people to any purpose.
4. If citizens are not constantly aware of what is happening, corruption can overtake a vision of a better society.

or

from a somewhat different perspective . . .

5. *Animal Farm* is a story for children because it portrays talking animals. Discuss your view on this statement and persuade others to agree with you.

or

6. Define your own theme from *Animal Farm* and support it.

