

English - Animal Farm

Lesson 20: Napoleon's leadership

## **Napoleon's leadership**

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Miss Eden



# What happens on the farm which leaves the animals shocked and miserable? (more than one correct answer)

## Option 1

Napoleon murders lots of animals.

## Option 2

Some animals confess to supporting Snowball.

## Option 3

Napoleon orders the dogs to kill any animals who confess.

## Option 4

Napoleon takes the eggs from the hens.



A few days later, when the terror caused by the executions had died down, some of the animals remembered--or thought they remembered--that the Sixth Commandment decreed "No animal shall kill any other animal." And though no one cared to mention it in the hearing of the pigs or the dogs, it was felt that the killings which had taken place did not square with this. Clover asked Benjamin to read her the Sixth Commandment, and when Benjamin, as usual, said that he refused to **meddle** in such matters, she fetched Muriel. Muriel read the Commandment for her. It ran: "No animal shall kill any other animal WITHOUT CAUSE."

**Meddle** - interfere, get involved with



Orwell uses d\_\_\_\_\_ i\_\_\_\_\_ when the Sixth Commandment changes. As readers, we know that the Commandment has been c\_\_\_\_\_ but the animals are c\_\_\_\_\_ about what they can remember.

Orwell does this to show how Napoleon and S\_\_\_\_\_ are m\_\_\_\_\_ the animals to c\_\_\_\_\_ them.

**CHANGED**

**DRAMATIC IRONY**

**SNOWBALL**

**MANIPULATING**

**CONFUSED**

**CONTROL**



# Which of the following is the correct use of the word 'narcissist.'

## Option 1

My brother never lets me share his food; he's such a narcissist.

## Option 3

My sister says she is the most important member of the family; she's such a narcissist!

## Option 2

My teacher is a narcissist because she doesn't let us talk in class.

## Option 4

He is a narcissist because he is always telling people what to do.



All orders were now issued through Squealer or one of the other pigs.

Napoleon himself was not seen in public as often as once in a fortnight.

When he did appear, he was attended not only by his **retinue** of dogs but by a black cockerel who marched in front of him and acted as a kind of trumpeter, letting out a loud "cock-a-doodle-doo" before Napoleon spoke. Even in the farmhouse, it was said, Napoleon inhabited separate apartments from the others. He took his meals alone, with two dogs to wait upon him, and always ate from the Crown Derby dinner service which had been in the glass cupboard in the drawing-room.

**Retinue - a group of assistants who go everywhere with an important person**



**How does Orwell present Napoleon as a narcissist in this extract?**

***‘Even in the farmhouse, it was said, Napoleon inhabited separate apartments from the others. He took his meals alone, with two dogs to wait upon him,’***

Orwell presents Napoleon as a narcissist by...



Napoleon was now never spoken of simply as "Napoleon." He was always referred to in formal style as "our Leader, Comrade Napoleon," and this pigs liked to invent for him such titles as Father of All Animals, Terror of Mankind, Protector of the Sheep-fold, Ducklings' Friend, and the like. In his speeches, Squealer would talk with the tears rolling down his cheeks of Napoleon's wisdom the goodness of his heart, and the deep love he bore to all animals everywhere, even and especially the unhappy animals who still lived in ignorance and slavery on other farms. It had become usual to give Napoleon the credit for every successful achievement and every stroke of good fortune.



# How is Napoleon presented in this extract?

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**‘It had become usual to give Napoleon the credit for every successful achievement’**

Napoleon is presented as...

