Lit Circle Discussions

# Discussion

In your group, discuss the ending of your book. Here are some prompts:

* Do you have any questions about the book?
* What is your honest review of the book? Please defend your reasons with evidence.
* Did the author keep you engaged? If so, how? If not, why not? Look to writing style, plot, suspense, etc.
* If you could change anything, (plot, ending, style) what would it be and why?
* Did you like or dislike the ending? Why or why not?

Theme

The overall message of the story, then central idea the author is trying to convey. The author unveils the theme through setting, imagery, tone, characterization, and plot. There could be many themes in the story, but I would like you to distill it down to **one big idea in one big sentence (or two)**

Your theme sentence must include **topic+treatment (+/-) result= resolution**.

Eg. In Macbeth,

Ambition + too much destruction =loss of relationships and power.

Therefore, the theme statement would be “*Too much ambition may lead to destruction and the loss of relationships and power*”

# Lord of the Flies-

Leadership + impulsive and irresponsible +savagery= chaos and death

*“When a leader ignores the rules of civilization or follows their savage impulses, the result can be chaos and death.”*

**A theme statement has** **no absolutes, no cliches and no conversational language**. Eg. “*I think its to never judge a book by its cover”* **is NOT a good theme statement.**