Animal Farm at a Glance:

- Full Title
 Animal Farm: A Fairy Story
- Author George Orwell (pseudonym of Eric Arthur Blair)
- Type Of Work Novella
- Genre Dystopian animal fable; satire; allegory; political roman à clef (French for "novel with a key"—a thinly veiled exposé of factual persons or events)
 Language English
- Time And Place Written1943–1944, in London
- Date Of First Publication 1946
- Main Ideas Genre:
- Animal Farm is an animal fable—or beast fable—because it uses animal characters to make a concise, forceful argument about human morality and politics.
- Animal Farm critiques Orwell's own English society as well as Soviet totalitarianism.