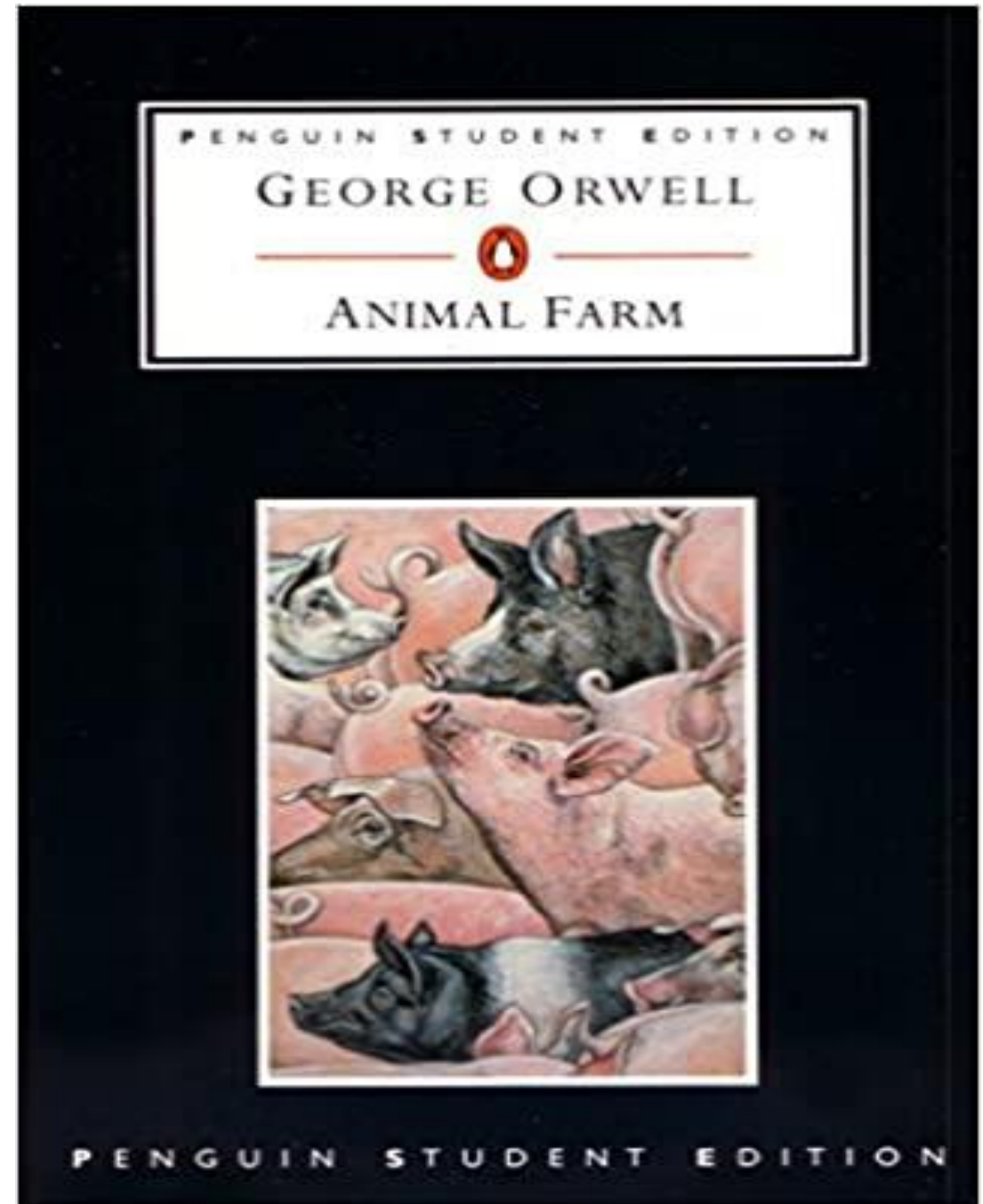


Animal Farm

George Orwell

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Allegorical Novella



George Orwell

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- **Born In Motihari, Bihar, India on 25 June 1903**
- **English novelist, essayist, Journalist, Critic**

Literary Contribution :

- ***Animal Farm* (1945) Political Allegory on Joseph Stalin's Betrayal of Russian Revolution of 1917**
- ***Nineteen Eighty-Four* (1949) – Warning against totalitarianism**

Critic of Stalin & Stalinism

Background

- **Russian Revolution 1917 / Bolshevik Revolution / October Revolution (November 6 & 7 , 1917)**
- **Bolshevik party Leader – Vladimir Lenin**
- **Launched bloodless seizure of Duma provisional government**
- **Called for Soviet government ruled directly by councils of soldiers, peasants and industrial workers**
- **The Bolsheviks and their allies occupied govt. buildings and other strategic locations in Petrograd (capital)**
- **Formed a New Government**
- **1918 : The Romanovs were executed by the Bolsheviks**

Impact:

End of Centuries old empirical rule.

End of Civil War

Social and Political Changes

Formation of Soviet Union / USSR (Union of Soviet Socialist Republic)

Lenin – Architect of USSR

First Head / Dictator of the world's first communist state

Head of Russia till his death – 1924

Headship : 1917 - 24

- **Rise of Joseph Stalin (1924 – 1952)**

- After Lenin's death Stalin removed the associate of Lenin Trotsky from all positions of power.
- Trotsky was assassinated by Stalinist Agent in 1940.

- **Stalin's Rule:**

- **Rapid Industrialization**

- **Agrarian Reforms**

Image – Autocratic Ruler

- **Series of Purges**

Led to Death and Imprisonment of millions of soviet citizens

- **Stalin was Known for**

-- Rude manners, Excessive Power, Ambition, Politics

- **Slogan : “ Thank You Dear Comrade Stalin for a Happy Childhood.”**

Marxism	Communism
A political ideology based on Karl Marx's ideas is known as Marxism.	A political system based on Marxist ideology is known as Communism.
Marxism can be considered as the theory.	Practical Implementation of Marxism could be considered as Communism.
The framework on which a state is developed is known as Marxism	A stateless society where all the people are considered equal and treated equally is known as Communism.
Marxism is a way to view the world, a system of analysis.	A form of Government, condition of a society, a political movement can be considered as Communism.
The transformation of society into Socialism, and ultimately to Communism is the philosophy of Marxism.	Communism also believes in the same transformation, but the differentiating factor between the two is the path that needs to be taken for the transformation to take place. Communism believes in the transformation through revolutions.
One may not say that the birth of Marxism was dependent on Communism.	The very existence/birth of Communism depended on Marxism.

Totalitarianism / Authoritarian	Communism
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Control: State Is Powerful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Society Is All Powerful
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Controls Everything 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes In Stateless, Classless Society
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Value For An Individual's Thoughts Or Opinions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Takes All Major Decisions (Central Planning)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Freedom For An Individual; People Are Bound By The State 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Society Has A Free Hand.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Right Wing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Left Wing (Govt owns everything & People own the govt.)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes In State Ownership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes In Common Ownership Of Everything
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The State Handles All Resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Society / Community Is The Sole Owner Of Resources (Abolition – Private Property)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Controls Beliefs, Values Of The Society, Interferes In Private Life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Control , No Interference
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government Is Controlled By One Political Party And Political Dissent Is Not Tolerable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calls For Govt. To Take Control Of Everything – Economic Control

Animal Farm

Satirical Tale against Stalin

Farm : Manor Farm

Owner : Mr. Jones



Mr. Jones

- **Irresponsible to his animals (lets them starve)**
- **Sometimes cruel (uses whip to beat animals)**
- **Sometimes kind (mixes milk in animal mash)**



Czar Nicholas II

- **A poor leader at best, compared to Western monarchs and leaders**
- **Cruel, sometimes brutal with opponents**
- **Kind, sometimes hired students as spies so they could earn \$**

Old Major

- **Taught Animalism**
- **Workers do the work, rich keep the \$, animals revolt**
- **Dies before Revolution**

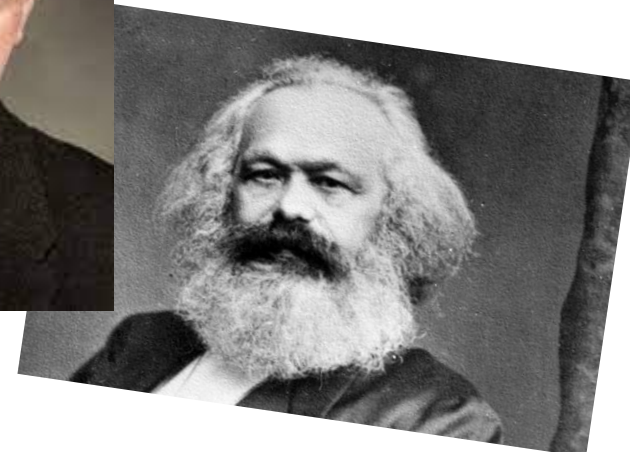


Karl Marx / Vladimir Lenin

Invented Communism

“Workers of the world unite”, take over gov't

Dies before Russian Revolution



Animalism

- **No Owners, No Rich, But No Poor**
- **Workers Get A Better Life, All Animals Equal**
- **Everyone Owns The Farm**

Communism

- **No Owners, No Rich, But No Poor**
- **All People Equal**
- **Gov't Owns Everything, People Own Gov't**

Snowball

- **Young, smart, good speaker, idealistic**
- **Really wants to make life better for all**
- **One of leaders of revolution**
- **Chased away into exile by Napoleon's dogs**



Leon Trotsky

- **Other leader of "October Revolution"**
- **Pure communist, followed Marx**
- **Wanted to improve life for all in Russia**
- **Chased away by Lenin's KGB (Lenin's secret police)**

Napoleon

- **Not a good speaker, not as clever as Snowball**
- **Cruel, brutal, selfish, devious, corrupt**
- **His ambition is for power, killed opponents**
- **Used dogs, Moses, and Squealer to control animals**



Joseph Stalin

- **Not a good speaker, not educated like Trotsky**
- **Same as Napoleon, didn't follow Marx's ideas**
- **Cared for power, killed all that opposed him**
- **Used KGB, allowed church, and propagandized**

Squealer

- **Big mouth, talks a lot**
- **Convinces animals to believe and follow Napoleon**
- **Changes and manipulates the commandments**



Propaganda Dept. of Lenin's Government / Communist Govt.

- **Worked for Stalin to support his image**
- **Used any lie to convince the people to follow Stalin**
- **Benefited from the fact that education was controlled**

The Dogs

- **A private army that used fear to force animals to work**
- **Killed or intimidated any opponent of Napoleon**
- **Another part of Napoleon's strategy to control animals**



KGB

Not really police, but forced support for Stalin

Used force, often killed entire families for disobedience

Totally loyal, part of Lenin's power, even over army



Moses the Raven

- **Tells animals about Sugar Candy mountain - Heaven**
- **Animals can go there if they work hard**
- **Snowball and Major were against him**
- **They thought Heaven was a lie to make animals work**
- **Napoleon let him stay because he taught animals to work and not complain**



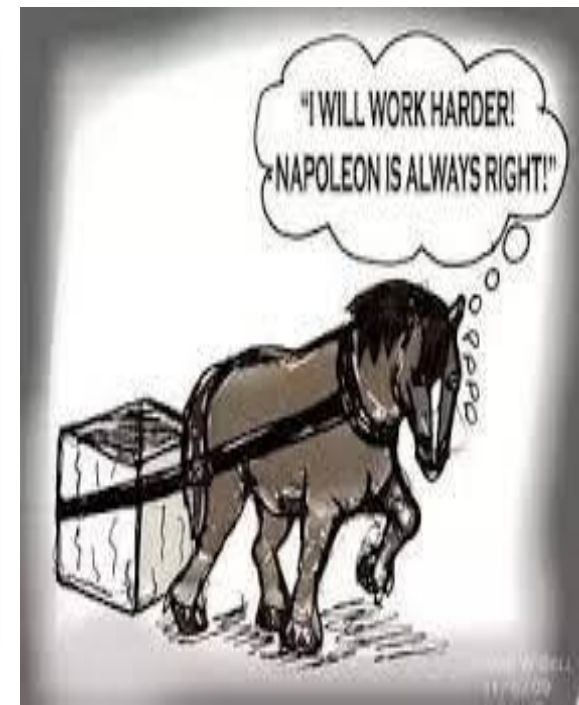
Religion

- **Marx said "Opiate of the people" and a lie**
- **Used to make people not complain and do their work**
- **Religion was tolerated because people would work**
- **Stalin knew religion would stop violent revolutions**



Boxer

- **Strong, hard working horse, believes in Animal Farm**
- **"Napoleon is always right", "I must work harder"**
- **Gives his all, is betrayed by Napoleon, who sells him**



Clover



Dedicated But Tricked Communist Supporters

- **People believed Stalin because he was "Communist"**
- **Many stayed loyal after it was obvious Stalin a tyrant**
- **Betrayed by Stalin who ignored and/or killed them**

Mollie

- **was vain**
- **loved her beauty and self**
- **didn't think about the animal farm**
- **went with anyone who gave her what she wanted**



Vain, Selfish people

- **some people didn't care about revolution**
- **only thought about themselves**
- **went to other countries that offered more for them**

Benjamin

- **Old, wise donkey who is suspicious of revolution**
- **Thinks "nothing ever changes", is right**
- **His suspicions are true, about Boxer and sign changes**



Sceptical people in Russia and Outside Russia

- **Weren't sure revolution would change anything**
- **Realized that a crazy leader can call himself communist**
- **Knew that communism wouldn't work with power**
- **Hungry leaders**

Overall Animal Revolution

- **It was supposed to make life better for all**
- **Life was worse in the end**
- **The leaders became the same as, or worse than, the other farmers (humans) they rebelled against**

Overall Russian Revolution

- **Supposed to fix problems from Czar**
- **Life was even worse long after revolution**
- **Stalin made Czar look like a nice guy**

ANIMAL FARM

GEORGE ORWELL



Chapter I

Manor Farm / Willingdon Farm

- **Old Major's Dream** – The Prize Middle White Boar – 12 Year Old – Wise And Benevolent Appearance
- Meeting Of The Animals Of Manor Farm At Big Barn
- **Arrival Of Animals :**
- **3 Dogs :** Bluebell, Jessie, Pincher
- **Pigs** **Hens** **Pigeons** **Sheep** **Cows**
- **Boxer :** Tall, Enormous Beast, Has A White Strip Down His Nose – Steadiness Of Character, Tremendous Power Of Work
- **Clover:** Middle Aged Motherly Mare
- **Muriel** – White Goat
- **Benjamin** – Donkey – The Oldest Animal On The Farm – Seldom Talks – Gives Cynical Remarks
- **Mollie** – The Foolish, Pretty White Mare – Draws Mr. Jones Trap – Wears Red Ribbons
- **Cat Moses** – The Tame Raven

- **Old Major's Speech**
- **Nature of Animal's Life on the Farm**
- **No Animal in England is Free**
- **Man is the only Real Enemy they have**
- **“Remove Man from the Scene and the root cause of hunger and overwork is abolished for ever”.**
- **Man is the Only Creature that consumes without Producing.**
- **When the animals get old , he either sales or kills them**
- **Only Solution : Rebellion**
- **All Men are enemies and all Animals are Comrades.**
- **Whatever goes upon two legs is an enemy. Whatever goes upon four legs or has wings is a friend.**
- **Animals must not imitate the man's life style and attitude**
- **All Animals are equal.**
- **Song: Beasts of England**

Chapter II

- **Early March**
- **Old Major's death**
- **Secret Activities – next 3 Months**
- **Impact of Major's Speech – Completely New Outlook to Animals on life**
- **Animals Prepared for the Revolution as a Duty**
- **Role of Pigs : Considered as Cleverest of Animals**
 - **Teaching and Organising everyone**
- **Snowball and Napoleon – Young Boars – Bred for sale**

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Vivacious

Quicker in Speech

More Inventive

I

Berkshire Boar, not a talker, Gets his own way

Chapter 7

- Shortage of food – Starvation
- Rebuilding of Windmill – more thicker and strong
- Rumours by Human beings – famine, disease, fights, cannibalism, infanticide
- Sheep – Convey lies through Whymper – No food shortage
- Orders are issued through Squealer
- Hen's Protest – Punishment
- Threat of Snowball – Rumours – corns, milk, eggs, seedbeds, fruits, broken windows, blocked drains, lost key of store-shed, etc.
- Investigation of Napoleon – Snowball
- Change in Napoleon's appearance
- Murder of Animals
- Beast of Animals is forbidden
- Animal Farm, Animal Farm, Never through me shall thou come to harm -
Minimus

Chapter 8

- Change In 6th Commandment – No Animal Shall Kill Any Other Animal Without Cause.
- Squealer's Lies – Increase In Foodstuff
- Cockrel – Napoleon's Escort
- Napoleon – Our Leader, Father Of All Animals, Terror Of Mankind, Protector..Loves Animals
- Animals Lies – Hens, Cows,
- 7 Commandments –
- Execution Of Hens
- Timber Is Sold To Fredrick Not To Mr. Pilkington – Fake Notes
- False Picture Of Outside World
- Windmill Is Named – Napoleon Mill
- Fredrick Attacks Windmill – Blasted – Battle – Decision To Rebuild The Windmill
- Still Victory Is Celebrated – To Forget The Banknotes Fraud
- Napoleon – Death Rumours –
- Grazing Ground – Barley
- 5th Commandment – No Animal Shall Drink Alcohol To Excess.

Chapter 9

- Boxer Is Hurt – Still Works Hard
- Less Ration To Animals – Shortage Of Food
- Squealer – Readjustment Not Reduction – Lies About More Food
- Animals Total Belief In Squealer
- More Pigs At The Farm
- Building Of School
- Green Ribbons For All Pigs
- All Barley Is Reserved For Pigs – Liquor Production
- Spontaneous Demonstration – Songs, Speeches, Processions, Marching, Military Formations, Green Banner – ‘ Long Live Comrade Napoleon’
- Animal Farm Is Declared – Republic – President – Unanimous Selection Of Napoleon
- Moses – Sugercandy Mountain – Pigs Declare Them Lies
- Boxer Works Harder – Boxer Falls Ill – Taken To Glue Trader – Slaughtered – Death – Squealer’s Lies –
- More Liquor

Chapter 10

- Death of many old inmates – mural, bluebell, jessie, pincher
- Clover n Benjamin – old
- Snowball, boxer - forgotten
- Napoleon – matured boar
- Squealer – very fat
- New animals – ignorant about the past history
- Farm – prosperous , enlarged , Pilkington’s 2 farms are bought, windmill is rebuild, one more windmill, - milling corn, more pigs and dogs – hungry animals,
- Still animals hopeful, proud
- Sheep – are taken away – four legs good, two legs better
- Pigs walk on hind legs
- Pigs with whip
- “All Animals are equal but some animals are more equal than others” – no commandments
- Wireless telephones, clothes – pigs
- Napoleon – in military clothes, pipe in mouth – his sow in dress
- Deputation of farmers
- Party – cards , drinks
- Pilkington, Fredrick – appreciation of animal farm
- No mistrust, misunderstanding

- Pilkington – lower animals – lower classes
- Napoleon – enterprise with human beings
- No Animals will be addressed as comrades
- No Boars's Skull
- Change in flag – No white hoof and horn --- plan green flag
- Change in the Name – Animal Farm – Manor Farm
- Quarrel
- Animals – No change in Man and Pigs