

Power and Control in Literature



Please answer the question

In the novel you are currently reading in your book clubs, who seems to have most of the power? Please explain your answer.

Who holds the power?

- A person
- A government/body of people
- Nature
- Not always obvious



Why does it matter?

- Helps us make *inferences*
- Allows us to understand the message that the author is maybe trying to tell us

Example

The Giver by Lois Lowry

**I think that most of time,
novels are trying to
teach a lesson to their
readers.**

**Novels are a great way
to teach moral lessons.**

**It is worse to have a
single person in control
rather than a group of
people.**

Exit Ticket

Please answer on a looseleaf sheet of paper. Before you leave the classroom, please turn your response in as an exit ticket.

If another character in the novel you're reading had more control, how would the plot be different?