

Golding, William: 1911–1993

Lord of the Flies, 1954 – Characters

Main Characters

Ralph: The protagonist and elected leader of the boys.

Jack Merridew: The antagonist and leader of the hunters.

Piggy: The intellectual and rational boy who supports Ralph.

Simon: A spiritual and kind boy who symbolizes innate human goodness.

Roger: Initially quiet and mysterious, Roger becomes increasingly cruel.

Secondary Characters

Sam and Eric (Samneric): Identical twins who initially support Ralph but are eventually coerced into Jack's tribe.

The Littluns: The youngest boys on the island who represent innocence and vulnerability.

Maurice: A follower of Jack.

Percival: One of the youngest boys who clings to memories of home.

Minor Characters

The Naval Officer: The adult who rescues the boys at the end of the novel.