

## Essay Prompts on Savagery

### **“The Thin Veneer of Civilization”**

Explore how literature portrays the fragility of civilization when characters are removed from societal norms. How does the setting contribute to a descent into savagery?

### **“Man’s Inherent Savagery”**

To what extent does literature suggest that savagery is an innate part of human nature?

### **“Power, Fear, and the Descent into Savagery”**

How do fear and the pursuit of power lead to savagery? Analyze how authors use fear as a catalyst for moral and societal breakdown.

### **“Symbolism and Savagery”**

Examine how symbols (e.g., objects, settings, or rituals) are used to represent the characters’ descent into savagery.