

General Discussion Questions on Isolation

In what ways can isolation be both destructive and liberating?

What is the difference between physical isolation (geographical separation) and emotional isolation (feeling alone even among others)?

How does isolation shape relationships between characters (drawing them closer together, or pushing them further apart)?

Are there characters who resist isolation, and how do they do it?

How do characters attempt to cope with isolation — through imagination, religion, nature, or rebellion?

What does isolation reveal about what it means to be human?