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Ralph and Jack Influenced Each Other

In the *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding, Ralph and Jack are influenced by each other. Jack made Ralph a worse leader and Ralph made Jack a better leader. The relationship between one another shaped the culture of the island. Jack and Ralph can seem like rivals because Jack and Ralph had trouble deciding, for example, pig vs fire. Jack made Ralph a worse leader, and Ralph made Jack a better leader through their arguments.

When the boys settled, on the island Ralph and Jack argued about rescue or hunt (fire vs pig). When Ralph and the other boys found a ship the fire was off because of Jack and hunters, so the boys couldn't get rescued. "There was a ship. Out there. You said you'd keep the fire going and you let it out." pg70, Because the boys couldn't get rescued, Jack and Ralph started having conflicts, and the hunters started to think of Ralph as their leader because Jack was already the leader in hunter and choir and Ralph became a leader because Ralph gathered all the boys.

After Samneric saw the beast, Ralph and Jack also had argued about the beast. Ralph said there is no beast on the island. On the other hand, Jack calmed down the littluns, who were afraid of the beast, and Jack said if there is a beast on the island he would hunt it. Also, Jack used the beast to grow his power. This can be one of the ways to Jack made Ralph worse leader and to grow Jack's power.

After Simon died, Ralph and Jack's tribes separated. Jack used the pig to make the boys join him. "Listen, all of you. Me and my hunters, we're living along the beach by a flat rock. We hunt and feast and have fun. If you want to join my tribes come and see us." pg140. After Jack and Simon were all separated, and he became much more violent than when the boys settled. Jack attacked Ralph's side to get Piggy's glasses. Therefore Jack's tribes had everything but Ralph's tribes. Ralph could hunt fish or pigs like Jack's tribes but Jack just let go of the boys who moved Jack's side to Ralph's side. This can be one of the ways Ralph made Jack a better leader.

After Piggy died every boy already joined Jack's tribes but Ralph. Jack also tried to kill Ralph. "What could they do? Beat him? So what? Kill him? A stick sharpened at both ends."pg198. Ralph had chances to grow his power, Ralph could listen Piggy and not giving power to Jack.

The Lord of the Flies depending on two leaders' relationships has a huge effect on the island's culture. Jack made Ralph a worse leader and grow his power by using pig and beast. Also, Ralph made Jack a better leader by giving power to Jack and made more rules when something happens wrong.