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Jack's Identity vs Ralph's Identity

In the book *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding, Jack and Ralph has two unlike personalities. This is going to be about the similarities and differences between them. The differences are going to be very easy, but what are the similarities between Jack and Ralph?

To inaugurate, Jack should not be messed with, because he is a murderer at his worst times. Jack is mostly contemptuous towards the Littluns. For example, on page 38 Jack says ““Anyway, you don't hunt or build or help—you're a lot of cry-babies and sissies. That's what. And as for the fear—you'll have to put up with that like the rest of us.”” and on page 115 it also says ““You want a real pig,” said Robert, still caressing his rump, “because you've got to kill him.” “Use a littlun,” said Jack, and everybody laughed. Jack is always rude to a Littuns because they are to little to stand up for themselves. He wants to be the leader, and in the end of the book he does become the leader. Jack doesn care about the fire. He also has connection with hunting(always has a knife). Jack is the novel's primary representative of the instinct of savagery, violence, and the desire for power. Jack desires power above all other things, he is the leader of the choirboys. The more savage Jack becomes, the more he is able to control the rest of the group. As Jack gains power, Jack's brutality and willingness to commit violence will make him a powerful and effective leader. Jack's leadership is very direct, harsh and he has no compassion. He also doesn't accepts others opinions. I think Jack is a Risk-taker, but in the worst

way possible. He is a Risk-taker because he always makes a risks when he says something bad; he doesn't know what will happen, if its bad or good. A arche type for Jack is a Tempter. He is a tempter because he is tempts other people by bribing them. (On page 150) He Bribes them by giving then food to join his tribe. He is also a Anti-hero because he wants to be a hero but he has other priorities.

On the other hand, Ralph is not a murderer. He is kind to the Littluns when he lets them speak up. He is the elected leader of the boys and the main protagonist. He is neither the smartest nor the strongest but has a kind of quiet charisma and good looks. He tries to keep the boys focused on domestic order, the rules of civilization and the fire, but loses his authority and almost his life to Jack's seizure of power his main wish is to be rescued. Ralph is the primary representative of order, civilization, and productive leadership in the book. He is organized and he is gentle. He is a diplomat and a natural leader. Ralph's leadership is comforting and nice. He is also a supporting and caring leader. I think Ralph is Knowledgeable, Balanced, and Open-minded. He is Open-minded because he builds a shelter for everyone, not just for himself. Also, he is open-minded by listening and take in mind all the opinions of everyone during assemblies as the leader. He is balanced by knowing what to do and having common sense.

Now, what are the similarities between them? One of the similarity is that they both wanted to be the leader. They both get to be the leader, but in a different way. They both wanted power, but not as much as Jack. In page 23 it says, "Jack and Ralph smiled at each other with shy liking.", when Ralph lets Jack have the choir be the hunters, Jack becomes his friend for a moment. Also some where in the book they hunted together and Ralph liked it. Almost in the end

of the book, when everything started to break down, Ralph and Jack started to become more enemies than usual.

To summarize, Jack and Ralph have some similarities and differences. In the end they became enemies because of their differences and because Jack and his savages killed Piggy that was Ralph's wise and most loyal friend.