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Brave New World: Chapter 2

I. Vocabulary: Be able to define the following words and understand them when they appear in the novel or class discussions. Also, be prepared to be quizzed on these words.

aseptic: free from living germs

cherub: type of angel; an attractive child

posthumous: occurring after death

indefatigable: never showing signs of getting tired

II. Background Info:

Pavlov: Ivan Pavlov is known for his findings on conditioned reflex. He would give dogs a steak while ringing a bell. The dogs would salivate when they smelled the meat. He would do this repeatedly: show the dogs the steak and ring the bell. Eventually, he just rang the bell. The dogs would still salivate even though there was no meat. The dogs were conditioned to respond a certain way (salivate) to ringing a bell.

III. Literary Terms: these will be the terms that we use to discuss the novel. Please know them for our discussion and your tests and quizzes.

Satire: a type of writing that ridicules the shortcomings of people or institutions.

IV. Questions: answer the following questions while you read to check your comprehension.

1. Which rooms do the students visit first in this chapter?
2. What do Deltas wear?
3. What happens as the children crawl toward the pretty flowers and the books?
4. How do the children react to the books and flowers when they are offered to them again?
5. Why does this society want to make the lower castes afraid of books?
6. Why does society want to make the lower classes hate nature?

7. Why, however, do they want the lower classes to like country sports?
8. What weird thing happened with the boy Reuben Rabinovitch?
9. What technique this boy help discover?
10. What sign did the director make on his stomach?
11. They discovered that intellectual education wasn't possible through hypnopedia, but what kind of education is possible through hypnopedia?
12. What were the two lessons the children had so far this afternoon?
13. Explain the class consciousness education.