**Lord of the Flies**

**Chapter 3 – Close Read**

**Close Read**: Read the following selection below. Choose three of the five symbols from the Close Read Symbol chart below to do a close read of the text. (This means that you will underline the part you want to put a symbol next to, and put the symbol in the margin next to what you underlined.)

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| **Symbol Sample** | **Comments/Question/Response** | **Language Support** |
| ? | o Questions I have  o Confusing parts for me | • My question about this part is:  • I’m confused about this part because… |
| + | o Ideas/statements I agree with | • I agree with this character because |
| - | o Ideas/statements I disagree with | • I disagree with this character because … |
| \* | o Significant ideas | • I think this part is significant because … |
| ! | o Shocking statements or parts  o Emotional parts | • I was shocked to read that … (further explanation)  • The part about \_\_\_ made me feel … |
| O | o Ideas/sections you connect with  o What this reminds you of | • This section reminded me of…  • This experience connects with my own experience in that… |

[Jack] “We want meat.”

[Ralph] “Well, we haven’t got any yet. And we want shelters. Besides, the rest of your hunters came back hours ago. They’ve been swimming.”

“I went on,” said Jack. “I let them go. I had to go on. I—”

He tried to convey the compulsion to track down and kill that was swallowing him up.

“I went on. I thought, by myself—”

The madness came into his eyes again.

“I thought I might kill.”

“But you didn’t.”

“I thought I might.”

Some hidden passion vibrated in Ralph’s voice.

“But you haven’t yet.”

His invitation might have passed as casual, were it not for the undertone.

“You wouldn’t care to help with the shelters, I suppose?”

“We want meat—”

“And we don’t get it.”

Now the antagonism was audible.

“But I shall! Next time! I’ve got to get a barb on this spear! We wounded a pig and the spear fell out. If we could only make barbs—”

“We need shelters.”

Suddenly Jack shouted in rage.

“Are you accusing—?”

“All I’m saying is we’ve worked dashed hard. That’s all.”

They were both red in the face and found looking at each other difficult.