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Exploring Literary Devices in 'Lord of the Flies'

Short Answer Key

1. The conch shell starts as a symbol of authority and order but loses its significance as the boys' society deteriorates.
2. An example of dramatic irony is when the reader knows that the "beast" is a dead parachutist, but the boys fear it as a supernatural threat.
3. Dialogue reveals Ralph's democratic leadership style and Jack's authoritarian approach, highlighting their conflicting personalities and goals.
4. Imagery helps readers visualize the island's beauty and challenges, immersing them in the story's setting and atmosphere.
5. Ralph represents reason, order, and democracy, while Jack symbolizes power, aggression, and savagery in the allegorical aspect of the novel.

