







Lord of the Flies Symbolism Chart

Symbolism	Example
Symbols are literal (tangible) things in a story—people, places, objects, events, etc.—that represent “larger” abstract (intangible), seemingly unrelated ideas. These symbols help the reader make connections between the surface story and important deeper levels of meaning.	There are UNIVERSAL SYMBOLS that most people know. <i>-White doves represent purity.</i> <i>-Red roses represent love and romance.</i>

Now, try to identify what you think the following might symbolize by filling in the chart on this page.

And remember, there are no “correct” answers, only logical, intelligent theories supported by evidence from the story itself.

Symbol	Quotation	Literal
The Conch 		Literal <hr/> Figurative
Jack’s Knife 		Literal <hr/> Figurative
Piggy’s Glasses 		Literal <hr/> Figurative

<p>The Dead Pilot</p> 		<p>Literal</p>	
<p>Pigs</p> 		<p>Literal</p>	
<p>Jack's Mask</p> 		<p>Literal</p>	
		<p>Figurative</p>	