

Class 11 VCE English 2020: Unit 2, Outcome 1: Reading & Comparing:
Brave New World & 1984 Essay Topics

1. Compare the portrayal of heroism in Brave New World and Nineteen Eighty-Four.
2. Compare how the rulings systems portrayed in Brave New World and Nineteen Eighty-Four attempt to create better worlds.
3. Compare how nature is seen to be a destabilising force in Brave New World and Nineteen Eighty-Four.
4. Compare how Brave New World and Nineteen Eighty-Four present visions of a hopeless future.
5. "Actual happiness always looks pretty squalid in comparison with the over-compensation for misery." (BNW)

"Once you are cured you will feel better than you ever felt... You'll be *happy*." (1984)

Using these quotes as a starting point, explore how the idea of happiness is presented in Brave New World and Nineteen Eighty-Four.

If for some reason your topic has been changed in a way that problematises your initial planning, please inform me asap – I am happy to work with you to come to a compromise (e.g. alter the wording of the topic). But you will need to explain why this is necessary.

IMPORTANT:

If you choose to **handwrite** the essay, you will need to take pictures of it and send to me by 4pm. AND I will need you to **mail a copy of the essay to the school:**

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I'm happy to buy you some chocolate to cover the cost of the stamps when we get back to school!