

## SHORT ANSWER STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS - *Brave New World*

### Chapters 1-3

1. Who is the D.H.C.?
2. What is Bokanovsky's Process?
3. Explain why Bokanovsky's Process is one of the major instruments of social stability.
4. What is the point of conditioning?
5. Why are the babies being conditioned to hate books and flowers?
6. How is the conditioning reinforced?
7. What is the name of the deity in this world?
8. Why is "mother" such an obscene word?
9. How is Bernard Marx different from his associates?
10. Why does Lenina want to go out with Bernard?
11. What is soma?

### Chapters 4-6

1. How are Bernard and Helmholtz alike?
2. What is a Solidarity Service?
3. Why is Bernard unable to feel the oneness with his group?
4. How does Bernard want to spend his dates with Lenina?
5. Why does the Director threaten to send Bernard to Iceland?

### Chapters 7-9

1. How are Linda and John different from the other savages?
2. Why is Lenina disgusted by Linda?
3. Why do the women whip Linda?
4. What things does Mitsima teach John?
5. What book does Pope bring for John?
6. Why do Bernard and John both feel alone?
7. To whom does John liken Lenina?

### Chapters 10-13

1. How does Bernard humiliate the Director?
2. Why is everyone interested in John but not Linda?
3. How does Linda spend her time?
4. Why does John throw up?
5. What other "civilized" customs disgust John?
6. Why does John refuse to come to the party?
7. How does John's refusal affect Bernard?
8. How does Bernard react to his downfall?

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Chapters 14-15

1. Why are children given treats when they visit the for the Dying?
2. Why is John's reaction to his mother's death inappropriate?
3. Why does John attempt to stop the soma distribution?

Chapters 16-18

1. What happens to Bernard and Helmholtz?
2. Why does the Controller say they should be happy to be banished?
3. Why are Shakespeare and scientific research banned?
4. What does John mean when he says, "I claim them all"?
5. Why does John drink mustard water?
6. Why does John torture himself?
7. To what end does John come?