

ENG 245 Science Fiction (Halbert—Fall 2023)  
Final Exam Quotation Study Guide

QUOTE: Instead of saying that totalitarian government is unprecedented, we could also say that it has exploded the very alternative on which all definitions of the essence of governments have been based in political philosophy, that is the alternative between lawful and lawless government, between arbitrary and legitimate power.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Hannah Arendt TITLE: "Ideology and Terror: A Novel Form of Government"  
BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg306

QUOTE: "BIG BROTHER IS WATCHING YOU"

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell TITLE : 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 2

QUOTE: "There was, of course, no way of knowing whether you were being watched at any given moment."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell TITLE : 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 3

QUOTE: "He had committed—would still have committed, even if he had never set pen to paper—the essential crime that contained all others in itself. *Thoughtcrime*, they called it."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell TITLE : 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 19

QUOTE: " 'They do get so noisy,' she said. 'They're disappointed because they couldn't go to see the public hanging, that's what it is.'"

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell TITLE : 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 23

QUOTE: "Who controls the past controls the future. Who controls the present controls the past."

QUOTE: "War is peace. Freedom is slavery. Ignorance is strength."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell TITLE : 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 44

QUOTE: Orthodoxy means not thinking-not needing to think. Orthodoxy is unconsciousness.

SOURCE: 1984 by George Orwell Page #53

QUOTE: "Would you believe," he said, "that till this morning I didn't know what color your eyes were?" They were brown, he noted, a rather light shade of brown, with dark lashes.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: George Orwell TITLE: 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg122

QUOTE: "Freedom is the freedom to say that two plus two make four. If that is granted, all else follows."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell TITLE : 1984 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 138

QUOTE: "Reality exists in the human mind, and nowhere else."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell    TITLE : 1984    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 249

QUOTE: If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot stamping on a human face—forever.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell    TITLE : 1984    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 267

QUOTE: “You hate him. Good. Then the time has come for you to take the last step. You must love Big Brother. It is not enough to obey him; you must love him.”

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell    TITLE : 1984    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 282

QUOTE: “For the first time he perceived that if you want to keep a secret you must also hide it from yourself.”

SOURCE: AUTHOR : George Orwell    TITLE : 1984    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 283

QUOTE: “Ordinary, said Aunt Lydia, is what you are used to. This may not seem ordinary to you now, but after a time it will. It will become ordinary.”

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood    TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale*    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 34

QUOTE: "Freedom, like everything else, is relative."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood    TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale*

QUOTE: "Better never means better for everyone... It always means worse, for some." - A Handmaid's Tale

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood    TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale*

QUOTE: “I would like to believe this is a story I’m telling. I need to believe it. I must believe it. Those who can believe that such stories are only stories have a better chance. If it’s a story I’m telling, then I have control over the ending. Then there will be an ending, to the story, and real life will come after it. I can pick up where I left off.”

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood    TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale*    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 49

QUOTE: I wait. I compose myself. My self is a thing I must compose, just as one composes a speech. What I must present is a made thing, not something born.

SOURCE: *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood Page #66

QUOTE: We lived, as usual, by ignoring. Ignoring isn't the same as ignorance, you have to work at it.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood    TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale*    BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 74

QUOTE: "My red skirt is hitched up to my waist, though no higher. Below it the Commander is fucking. What he is fucking is the lower part of my body. I do not say making love, because this is not what he's doing."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood TITLE : The Handmaid's Tale BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Chapter 16, Page 89

QUOTE: But this is wrong, nobody dies from lack of sex. Its lack of love we die from. There is nobody here I can love, all the people I could love are dead or elsewhere. Who knows where they are or what their names are now? They might as well be nowhere, as I am for them. I too am a missing person.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Margaret Atwood TITLE: *The Handmaid's Tale* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg103

QUOTE: "He was not a monster, to her. Probably he had some endearing trait: he whistled, offkey, in the shower, he had a yen for truffles, he called his dog Liebchen and made it sit up for little pieces of raw steak. How easy it is to invent a humanity, for anyone at all. What an available temptation."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 145

QUOTE: "You can only be jealous of someone who has something you think you ought to have yourself"

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): page 161

QUOTE: This is something you can depend upon: there will always be alliances, of one kind or another... For every rule there is an exception: this too can be depended upon.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Margaret Atwood TITLE : *The Handmaid's Tale* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 166

QUOTE: "You take the blue pill... the story ends, you wake up in your bed and believe whatever you want to believe. You take the red pill... you stay in Wonderland, and I show you how deep that rabbit hole goes"

SOURCE: AUTHOR : The Wachowski's TITLE : *The Matrix* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE):

QUOTE: I can only show you the door, you're the one that has to walk through it.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : The Wachowskis TITLE : *The Matrix*

QUOTE: Neo, sooner or later, you're going to realize, just as I did: there's a difference between knowing the path and walking the path.

SOURCE: *THE MATRIX* by The Wachowskis

QUOTE: I'm going to be honest with you [takes off glasses and ear-piece]. I hate this place, this zoo, this prison, this reality, whatever you want to call it. I can't stand it any longer. It's the smell, if there is such a thing. I feel saturated by it. I can taste your stink, and every time I do I fear that I have somehow been infected by it. It's repulsive! Isn't it?

SOURCE: *The Matrix*, the Wachowskis

QUOTE: I'd like to share a revelation that I've had during my time here. It came to me when I tried to classify your species and I realized that you're not actually mammals. Every mammal on this planet instinctively develops a natural equilibrium with the surrounding environment but you humans do not. You move to an area and you multiply and multiply until every natural resource is consumed and the only way you can survive is to spread to another area. There is another organism on this planet that follows the same pattern. Do you know what it is? A virus. Human beings are a disease, a cancer of this planet. You're a plague and we are the cure.

SOURCE: *The Matrix*, the Wachowskis

QUOTE: "We're all puppets, Laurie. I'm just a puppet who can see the strings."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons TITLE : *Watchmen* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): vol 9

QUOTE: "None of you seem to understand. I'm not locked in here with you. You're locked in here with me!"

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons TITLE : *Watchmen*

QUOTE: It's funny, but certain faces seem to go in and out of style.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons TITLE : *Watchmen* Page #35

QUOTE: "Who is he? This ugly little zero is the terror of the underworld... and we're gonna lock him up with them. It's karma, man. Everything evens out eventually."

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons TITLE: *Watchmen* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg172

QUOTE: Part of being a hero is knowing when you don't need to be one anymore.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons TITLE : *Watchmen*  
BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE):

QUOTE: "Everybody is supposed to be dead, to never say anything or want anything ever again."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Kurt Vonnegut TITLE : *Slaughterhouse five*  
BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 4

QUOTE: "There is no why. All this happened, more or less. All moments, past, present and future, always have existed, always will exist. There is no beginning, no middle, no end, no suspense, no moral, no causes, no effects."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Kurt Vonnegut TITLE : *Slaughterhouse five*  
BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 5

QUOTE: "At that time, they were teaching that there was absolutely no difference between anybody. They may be teaching that still."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Kurt Vonnegut TITLE : *Slaughterhouse-Five* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Chapter 1, Page 8

QUOTE: And so it goes...

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Kurt Vonnegut TITLE : *Slaughterhouse-Five* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE):

QUOTE: Mountains. All time is all time. It does not change. It does not lend itself to warnings or explanations. It simply *is*. Take it moment by moment, and you will find that we are all, as I've said before bugs in amber.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Kurt Vonnegut TITLE: *Slaughterhouse-Five* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg86

QUOTE: Only on Earth is there any talk of free will.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Kurt Vonnegut TITLE: *Slaughterhouse-Five* BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg86

QUOTE: They said why did you want to. I told them because all my life I wanted to be smart and not dumb. But it's very hard to be smart. They said you know it will probably be temporary. I said yes. Miss Kinnian told me. I don't care if it hurts.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Daniel Keyes TITLE : "Flowers for Algernon" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2

SOURCE: "I don't know what's worse: to not know what you are and be happy, or to become what you've always wanted to be and feel alone."

SOURCE: "Flowers for Algernon" by Daniel Keyes

QUOTE: "Intelligence is one of the greatest human gifts. But all too often, a search for knowledge drives out the search for love."

SOURCE: "Flowers for Algernon" by Daniel Keyes

QUOTE: "There are a lot of people who will give money or materials, but very few who will give time and affection."

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Daniel Keyes TITLE : "Flowers for Algernon" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 125

QUOTE: They said why do you want to. I told them because all my life I wanted to be smart and not dumb. But it's very hard to be smart. They said you know it will probably be temporary. I said yes. Miss Kinnian told me. I don't care if it hurts.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Daniel Keyes TITLE : "Flowers for Algernon" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 286

QUOTE: Once again now I have the feeling of shame burning inside me. This intelligence has driven a wedge between me and all the people I once knew and loved. Before, they laughed at me and despised me for my ignorance and dullness; now, they hate me for my knowledge and understanding. What in God's name do they want from me?

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Daniel Keyes TITLE : "Flowers for Algernon" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 297

QUOTE: Even a feeble-minded man wants to be like other men. A child may not know how to feed itself, or what to eat, yet it knows of hunger.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Daniel Keyes TITLE: "Flowers for Algernon" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg299

QUOTE: I guess the same thing is or will soon be happening to me. Now that it's definite, I don't want it to happen.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Daniel Keyes TITLE : "Flowers for Algernon" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 302

QUOTE: But the *unasked* question (more important of the two) was: how did we get *into* this position, where a laughing, irresponsible japer of jabberwocky and jive could disrupt our entire economic and cultural life with a hundred and fifty thousand dollars' worth of jelly beans...

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Harlan Ellison TITLE : "Repent, Harlequin! Said the Ticktockman". BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 149

QUOTE: And so it goes goes goes goes goes tick tick tick tick tick tick and one day we no longer let time serve us, we serve time and we are slaves of the schedule, worshippers of the sun's passing, bound into a life predicated on restrictions because the system will not function if we don't keep the schedule tight.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Harlin Ellison TITLE: "Repent, Harlequin! Said the Ticktokman" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): pg150

QUOTE: They assumed, naturally, that he would be late. He arrived twenty minutes early...

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Harlan Ellison TITLE : "Repent, Harlequin! Said the Ticktockman" BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Page 152

QUOTE: Blood has no nationality. We now have discrimination down to a science.

SOURCE: *GATTACA* by Andrew Niccol

QUOTE: "You want to know how I did it? This is how I did it. "I never saved anything for the swim back."

SOURCE: Andrew Niccol, *Gattaca*

QUOTE: "Far out in the uncharted backwaters of the unfashionable end of the western spiral arm of the Galaxy lies a small unregarded yellow sun.

Orbiting this at a distance of roughly ninety-two million miles is an utterly insignificant little blue green planet whose ape-descended life forms are so amazingly primitive that they still think digital watches are a pretty neat idea."

SOURCE: *The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams, \

QUOTE: Sadly, however, before she could get to a phone to tell anyone about it, a terribly stupid catastrophe occurred, and the idea was lost forever.

SOURCE: *The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams Guide to the Galaxy

QUOTE: Now it is such a bizarrely improbable coincidence that anything so mind-bogglingly useful could have evolved purely by chance that some thinkers have chosen to see it as a final and clinching proof of the non-existence of God.

SOURCE: Douglas Adams – *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* (59)

QUOTE: "McDonald's, he thought. There in no longer any such thing as a McDonald's hamburger. He Passed out."

SOURCE: Douglas Adams, *The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy*, Pg. 61

QUOTE: "'You know,' said Arthur, 'it's at times like this, when I'm trapped in a Vogon airlock with a man from Betelgeuse, and about to die of asphyxiation in deep space that I really wish I'd listened to what my mother told me when I was young.'

'Why, what did she tell you?'

'I don't know, I didn't listen.'"

SOURCE: Douglas Adams, *The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy*

QUOTE: Simple. I got very bored and depressed, so I went and plugged myself in to its external computer feed. I talked to the computer at great length and explained my view of the Universe to it,

SOURCE: Douglas Adams, *The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy*

QUOTE: Isn't is enough to see that a garden is beautiful without having to believe that there are fairies at the bottom of it too?

SOURCE: Douglas Adams, *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, Pg. 119

QUOTE: Forty-two.

SOURCE: *The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams

QUOTE: I stare at the crucifix that hangs on the cabin wall above the Mark IV Computer, and for the first time in my life wonder if it is no more than an empty symbol.

SOURCE: Arthur C. Clarke. "The Star". pg 1.

QUOTE: But how you can believe that Something has a special interest in us and our miserable little world--that just beats me.

SOURCE: Arthur C. Clarke, "The Star", P2

QUOTE: God has no need to justify His actions to man. He who built the universe can destroy it when He chooses. It is arrogance--it is perilously near blasphemy--for us to say what He may or may not do.

SOURCE: "The Star" by Arthur C. Clarke, pg. 9

QUOTE: But there comes a point even when the deepest faith must falter.

SOURCE: "The Star" by Arthur C. Clarke, pg 9 in handout

QUOTE: Whether that race has done good or evil during its lifetime will make no difference in the end: there is no divine justice, for there is no God

SOURCE: Arthur C. Clarke, "The Star", Pg. 9