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Orwell uses Napoleon to show how small inequalities can become larger problems in society. The first inequality the reader sees in the novel is the pigs taking all the apples and milk. The pigs justify this action by saying, “We pigs are brainworkers. The whole management and organisation of this farm depend on us. Day and night we are watching over your welfare. It is for YOUR sake that we drink that milk and eat those apples”(Orwell 42). Even at this early stage in the novel, the pigs are rising above the other animals. They manipulate the other animals to make them feel dumb and helpless without the “brain work” of the pigs. Through the foolish animals, Orwell shows how people can be lulled into a false sense of security and as long as they make a few successions to those in power, they believe that they will be safe. However, it is obvious that the inequalities do not stop there. By the end of the novel the reader sees that “ALL ANIMALS ARE EQUAL BUT SOME ANIMALS ARE MORE EQUAL THAN OTHERS” (Orwell 123). Napoleon and the other pigs started out with a small justification, but the more they pushed the more the other animals succeeded until the other animals were left with nothing. Orwell shows that if a government tries to get away with small manipulations, they will be able to take complete control. They will not stop at simply at apples and milk; they will overtake it all if they can.