

1984 Book Review

Context

AT THE PEAK OF THE COLD WAR, IN 1949, WHEN WORRIES ABOUT TOTALITARIANISM BECAME STRONG, THE NOVEL 1984 WAS PUBLISHED. IN THE DYSTOPIAN FUTURE PRESENTED IN THE NOVEL, THE WORLD IS DIVIDED INTO THREE SUPERPOWERS, OCEANIA, EURASIA, AND EASTASIA. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF BIG BROTHER, THE PARTY GOVERNS OCEANIA.

Characters

- **Winston Smith:** Protagonist of the novel
- **Julia:** Winston's love interest
- **O'Brien:** An important member of the Party
- **Big Brother:** The leader of the Party

Themes

1. **Totalitarianism**
2. **Surveillance**
3. **Propaganda and Manipulation of Truth**
4. **Rebellion and Conformity**

(ORWELL, 1949)

