Create a lesson plan for high school students on direct and indirect characterization connected to Lord of the Flies

Objective: Students will be able to identify and explain the use of direct and indirect characterization in Lord of the Flies.

Materials: Copies of Lord of the Flies, chart paper, markers

Procedure:

- 1. Introduce the concept of direct and indirect characterization to the students. Explain that direct characterization directly tells the reader about a character, while indirect characterization can be inferred by the readers through the author's use of detail and description.
- 2. Have the students break up into small groups and jot down examples of direct and indirect characterization they have come across in the text. Give them a few minutes to discuss amongst their groups.
- 3. Ask the students to post their examples on the chart paper. Encourage students to share their examples and be willing to debate whether the examples are direct or indirect characterization.
- 4. Once the examples have been shared, allow for a few students to be chosen to explain their thoughts to the class.
- 5. Conclude the lesson by asking the students to explain the importance of characterization and how it relates to the plot, theme, and symbols in the text.

Closure: Ask the students, "Why is it important to be able to recognize direct and indirect characterization?" Look for insights into how characters can further shape a novel's plot and theme.