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1984 Discussion Prompts

Directions: Below are open-ended discussion questions based on themes, characters, and ideas in *1984*. For each question, write a short response (4-6 sentences). Be prepared to debate with classmates, giving reasons and examples from the text.

1. **Is Winston a hero?** Defend or challenge the idea that Winston's resistance makes him heroic.

2. **Could a society like Oceania exist today?** Consider surveillance, government power, and technology.

3. **Is Julia's approach to rebellion more realistic than Winston's?** Why or why not?

4. **What role does fear play in keeping citizens obedient in *1984*?** Could fear work the same way in modern societies?

5. **Does Orwell's warning in *1984* still matter in the 21st century?** Explain your reasoning with examples.
