

## **Writing Task 2: “Community, Identity, Stability”**

Core Question: Is social stability worth the price?

The motto of the World State depicted on the “Central London Hatchery and Conditioning Centre” is “Community, Identity, Stability.” This is a statement of values. Mustapha Mond says that sacrificing real feelings and emotional attachments is the price the society has to pay for stability. Mond himself has made sacrifices for the sake of social stability and uses his power to place limits and controls on science and the arts if instability might result. Individuals who threaten this stability are sent away to live on an island. What is the significance of “community” and “identity” in this motto? And how are these related to the stability of the individual? Of society?

Do you think that the sacrifices that the World State requires of its citizens are a price worth paying to maintain social stability? To answer this question, go through your reading notebook to find as much evidence as you can that the World State insures that individuals are happy, productive, and compliant. Analyze the positive and negative aspects of each of these practices. Then write an essay arguing whether or not such social stability is worth the price the World State is paying. Support your arguments with details from the book and examples from our own world.