

The Wave

Chapters 9 - 17

1. Look again at pages 53-54. What positive and negative effects is The Wave having on Ben Ross' History class?
2. Use a dictionary to look up the meaning of these words:
 - fad
 - ecstatic
 - paranoia
 - detrimental
3. Read the story on pages 64-65. How does this support Laurie's feelings about The Wave?
4. Why do you think Ben Ross allows Robert to become his bodyguard? (pages 66-67)
5. Why do David and Laurie argue? (pages 67-71)
6. Why does Laurie's father become concerned about the effect The Wave is having on some students? (p73)
7. What message does Laurie's editorial about The Wave convey? (p78)
8. How do members of The Wave react to Laurie's editorial? (pages 82-83)
9. Reread pages 88-90. Why does David finally turn against The Wave?
10. What steps does Ben Ross take to end The Wave? Discuss:
 - The Wave rally that he plans (pages 96-97)
 - the significance of the film that he shows at the rally (p104)
 - the speech that he makes to The Wave members and the effect it has. (pages 104-106)