

It was a dark and stormy night ... no that's not it. It was a beautiful sunny day ... not it either. Could it be uhh... On that rainy day when the sea would not quit, the sky growled and men shuttered in their huts. That's it !! Well now that I seem to temporarily regained my memory Ill tell you the story of that horrible season of the oyster conference. What's that you don't know what the oyster conference is! You see it is a time when the oysters of the world gather together in their respective clans and decide who shall carry the pearl of power. These pearls are no ordinary pearls. They were not made by an oyster but were forged by the pillar. This pillar was the giver of power before the pestilence of man arrived. Now the pillar does not exist due to the carelessness of man. To keep order among the oysters they gathered all the pearls forged by the pillar and cursed them so that if man found one in the leader oyster it would destroy the finder and find its way back to the sea.

This conference I told you about is a great as well as horrible experience for all the oysters. Triumph and defeat lurks around all corners. The contending oysters must run the test and those standing at the end must do it again until one oyster stands. This was the first time in history that more than three tests had to be run. It came down to Chuck the clan favorite and Tinagel the outcast. Finally with a little cheating and a lot of dishonesty Chuck took the pearl to gain its power till the coming year when he would relinquish control of the pearl. Tintagel knew this fact but was jealous and devised a plan to steal the pearl by poisoning Chuck. The next few days Tintagel spent carefully gathering all the equipment and materials he'd need to complete his plan. Then after his materials were gathered he mixed and organized them in perfect blend. He had them delivered to Chuck and unknowingly took the poison. There was but a single fact overlooked by Tintagel and that was the power of the pearl. Instead of killing Chuck it made him diseased and mentally insane. He starts to disconnect himself from reality. Oysters begin to fear him. Perturbed by what he has done Tintagel leaves the colony which means certain death and is never heard from again. Meanwhile back at the farm ma's killin off da injuns OOPS there I go again just a sec. KAY.... back to our regularly scheduled story. Chuck ends up all alone. By the end of his life no goes near him and no one will until his year is up. What's that another man to pick us up an mutilate us oysters. We never did a thing to you before. Why. The clan of oysters gather in their hiding spots but Chuck is just sitting there. The clan tries to war him but its too late and a few minutes later his sorry carcass is discarded back to the sea. The PEARL is missing. The clan soon is discomfited by this knowledge and wonder if the curse is true. Fast Forward to the end of the Pearl by that boring guy who people think is great because a few over-educated chuckle heads say so(john stienbeck). The oysters are still wondering about how to get the pearl back when Poof there it is in their midst. No one asks any questions and the pearl is kept buried until Chucks term is finished and his successor is found. Okay so it wasn't much of a story but hey this is just a start. I got no moral or even a thrill out of writing it but hey it was defiantly a writing experience not to

be missed. It taught me to stick with it even if you didn't want to do the project in any remote way. I hope you found my writing style to your liking and subscribe for future installments of prequels to boring books.