



Social Literary Criticism

Literary criticism means comparing, analyzing, interpreting, and/or evaluating literary works. A work of literary criticism puts your ideas together with both the work being considered, other people's ideas about the work, and/or research you have done relevant to the work. There are a number of established perspectives that literary criticism can take. The social perspective considers the relationship between the literary work and society.

DIRECTIONS: Prepare to write a short paper of literary criticism from the social perspective. Answer the questions to organize your thoughts.

Name of Text: _____

Name of the Author: _____

What is the text about?

From what society did this text originate? How does the text reflect that?

From what sociological perspective are you reading the text? What is the relationship between this text and your own society?
