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Biographical 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 biographical perspective considers a literary work within the context of information about the author's life.

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

Name of Text: _____

Name of the Author: _____

What is the text about?

What have you learned in researching this author's life that impacts your experience and understanding of this text?	How can we understand/critique the text in the context of these facts?