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Feminist 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 feminist perspective considers a literary work in the context of patriarchal attitudes, for example, whether it endorses or rejects them. The feminist perspective sees literature as both a reflection and a source of stereotypes and cultural assumptions.

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

Name of Text: _____

Name of the Author: _____

What is the text about?

Does the text endorse or reject patriarchal attitudes? How?

What stereotypes or cultural assumptions are represented in the text? How?
