

PSYCHOLOGY OF POST COLONIALISM: A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF THE SELECT NOVELS OF JOHN MAXWELL COETZEE AND PHILIP MICHAEL ONDAATJE

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Abstract

The aim of the research is to focus on the psychology of post colonialism in the select works of John Maxwell Coetzee and Philip Michael Ondaatje, writers originally from post-colonial countries. Postcolonial literature is the literature by people from formerly colonized countries. John Maxwell Coetzee and Philip Michael Ondaatje determined with manifold by colonialism rather than conforming to a one-dimensional understanding of postcolonial literature. Thus the research examines the psychology of post colonialism in the select works of John Maxwell Coetzee and Philip Michael Ondaatje.

Introduction

Postcolonial literature often addresses the problems and consequences of the decolonization of a country, especially questions relating to the political and cultural independence of formerly subjugated people, and themes such as racialism and colonialism. Both John Maxwell Coetzee and Philip Michael Ondaatje concordant in spectacle of Post colonialism, the historical period or state of affairs representing the aftermath of Western colonialism. The term can also be used to describe the concurrent project to reclaim and rethink the history and agency of people subordinated under various forms of imperialism. Coetzee's and Ondaatje's writings are identified with similarities of post colonial characteristics like Colonialism, Colonial Discourse, Rewriting History, Decolonization Struggles, Nationhood and Nationalism, Valorization of Cultural Identity.

Review of Literature

The researcher found out several problems and consequences of the decolonization of a country, especially questions relating to the political and cultural independence of formerly subjugated people, and themes such as racialism and colonialism in the nineteenth century. In addition,

common characteristics of colonialism like political and legal domination over an alien society, relations of economics and political dependence, exploitation between imperial powers and the colony, racial and cultural inequality are also found.

Objectives

The objective of the research is to uncover the thinking, behavior and attitudes of the post colonial humans through the writings of John Maxwell Coetzee and Philip Michael Ondaatje.

Research Design

The research follows the descriptive design for the research.

Materials & Methods

The researcher uses the text books, internet sources and publications as a material and proposes the descriptive method for the research.

Expected outcome

The research will be resulted with a new luminous understanding and scintillation on Post colonialism.

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