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Literary Analysis Research Topic

The work that I have chosen for this literary analysis research is the ‘yellow wallpaper’ by Charlotte Gilman. The story revolves around a woman, who after the birth of her child, is confined in her isolated mansion by her husband, in what he refers to as “the rest cure.” Even though the woman aspires to be a writer, her husband shuns her dream by driving her into the brink of insanity. The Yellow Wallpaper is a short story that depicts the place of women in society and the oppressive nature of gender roles. The story gives a stunning insight into a woman deteriorating away into insanity following the pressures of a demeaning, restrictive, and overly male-controlled society. I chose Gilman’s work because I draw a lot of inspiration from her works and I specifically chose the yellow wallpaper because I intend to explore on the theme of women’s place in society and how gender roles have evolved over the years.