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#### **Abstract**

Salman Rushdie's Fury vividly depicts the problematic situation of the protagonist Malik Solanka who shifts from one place to another in search of proper adjustment. He changes the places from Indian origin to England to America and finally returns to his own cultural root. Wherever he reaches, he is unable to manage himself in that new culture because it is based on a complex modern social structure with the impact of globalization standing as a dominant hybridizing force. In course of his journey, he transforms from spiritual closeness to material prosperity which is yet unable to make him feel alive. In New York City, which is globalized with the hybridized cultures, he is able to embrace a materially well-off life but it does not provide him sufficient mental satisfaction and heavenly bliss of happiness; that he easily gets when he unites to his family—his son Asmaan and his wife Eleanor. Thus, Salman Rushdie's Fury concretizes the protagonist's shift from one geographical location to another one and his search for proper adjustment in a complex modern social structure which has the influence of globalization as a form of dominant hybridizing force. Finally, Salman Rushdie's Fury illustrates that the main character Malik Solanka is forced to return into his own cultural location after having a lot of furies experienced in the incomprehensible hybridized cultural structure of New York City.

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