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Abstract

This research entitled "Women as 'Other' in Hardy's *Tess of the d'Urbervilles*" explores the poor condition of women in postcolonial setting. Even though, women are free from being colonized, they are dominated by men in the patriarchal society. This research focuses on how women become 'Other' in the Victorian peasant society. In this research, the female protagonist Tess is treated as 'Other' because of the contemporary Victorian society. The Victorian society looks at woman as 'Other' or 'thing'. So, in this society, women suffer so much. This study is done from postcolonialist feminist perspective to study the condition of women in the contemporary society of Victorian Period by incorporating information from different articles, literary works, internet web-sites etc. All information is presented and analyzed to prove the condition of women in the society.

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