

THEMATIC ISSUES AND APPLICATION OF THEORY IN LITERARY STUDIES

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ABSTRACT

This study paper aims to present research practice in literary studies, a distinct course of study of literature in humanities and social sciences. Researchers select a text (e.g. a novel), raise a thematic issue in the text, and then explore a theory related to that issue. They apply that theory in the text and analyses the thematic issue with reference to that text. They are mostly dependent on secondary resources for the analysis. This paper presents overall concept and practices in researches, use of theory in thematic analysis in literary studies.

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