ABSTRACT

This study discussed about the Post-colonial identity crisis as native in India and as Indian diaspora in America seen through the use language. Post-colonial identity crisis occurs as the impact of colonization. During the British colonization in India, a colonizer dominated a colonized country particularly in language aspect. The strong influence of English made India having two official language, Hindi and English. The perplexity of identity appears seen through the use two languages. Post-colonial identity has to consider the experience of doubt and uncertainty. The issue is seen in the portrayal of Krishnan in Secret Daughter novel. The study uses Post-colonial theory, especially the strategies of abrogation and appropriation to analyze the use of language. The writer collects the data from the dialogues of Krishnan. The study aims to analyze the impact of British colonization influences the identity of native Indian and as an Indian diaspora. The post-colonial identity experienced results mimicry and in-between-ness.

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