

## SYNOPSIS

### 1. *Useless Beauty*

*Useless Beauty* tells about Gabrielle, a woman comes from the lower class who has been married with a very rich man. Although she does not love her husband, she has to receive her faith of becoming the wife of Count de Mascaret because she is forced by her father. As the wife of the bourgeoisie man makes Gabrielle suffers because her husband forces her to live in the state of motherhood, such as taking responsibility of doing household duties, caring children and producing a new baby. She is also not allowed of being beautiful, pleased everyone and work outside the home. In contrast, her husband works outside the home and earn money. As the result of those rules, Gabrielle becomes the oppressed and subordinated. Moreover, the society around her believes that a wife should become submissive and devoted to her husband. Meanwhile, Gabrielle tries to free from the oppression by doing effort. She tells her husband that one of their child is not his blood, In the end of the story, her husband chooses to leave her and therefore she gets her freedom. She becomes actress, pleased everyone, earn her own money and gets her freedom.

### 2. *A Good Match*

*A Good Match* tells about Angelica, a girl from the lower class who tries hard to become the member of the upper class. She has a relationship with the cadet who also comes from the upper class. As the proletariat, Angelica gets the oppression from the society because the society considers that the proletariat are

the second class. Facing that condition, Angelica tries to be recognized as the upper class by denying her lover, the cadet. She acts to everyone that she does not recognize the cadet in order to tempt a rich man. In the end of the story, Angelica becomes the wife of the bourgeoisie man and therefore she is also recognized as the upper class.

### 3. *The Barones*

*The Baroness* tells about Mme. Samoris, a beautiful woman who comes from the lower class. She is overwhelmed with a beautiful appearance and a brilliant idea which only a few person who has that. She wants to become the upper class because by being recognized as the upper class. she will get some advantageous things such as prosperity, beautiful jewels and any other luxurious things. Furthermore, she tempts some rich men by being beautiful and attractive in order to reach her dream. Thus, she moves from one man to another to support it.