

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

Emily Bronte's novel *Wuthering Heights* is a story about the whole life of Heathcliff on whom his story completely dominates of vindictive passion. Heathcliff as an adopted child in the Earnshaw family was inured to hardship and blows which he received from those who hated him. His life is not only hard for him, but also difficult. For so many years he had to endure this mocking and ill-treatment that will later arouse his motive of taking revenge. Looking into the character of Heathcliff, the writer concludes some interesting aspects in him: .

1. Heathcliff is a mysterious being, a gipsy most of the characters call him. Heathcliff is a gipsy from whence no one knows and he is a cuckoo because his parents and his native place are unknown.
2. From his early life Heathcliff never experiences a peaceful life. His dark life arouses the thought that someone like Heathcliff is considered to have bad attitude and bad personality whose behaviour is to crush and ruin his enemies. Since his childhood he has lived in unfavourable conditions which have made him to be vindictive.

By analyzing the character of Heathcliff, the writer finds the motive of his revenge:

- 2.1 Heathcliff and Catherine. In spite of her love for Heathcliff, Catherine revealed her decision to marry Edgar. Angry at Catherine for having married with Edgar, Heathcliff, hoping to avenge and jealous to Edgar, he then eloped with Isabella. He married Isabella in purpose of her property.
- 2.2 Heathcliff and (Isabella and Edgar). Only to make Catherine angry of his marriage with Isabella, Heathcliff abused and makes advances to Isabella. It gave Heathcliff the opportunity of gaining possession of the Lintons property and avenging himself on Edgar. Their marriage really upset Edgar for he knew that his property would pass into Heathcliff's hands and he believed that the character of Heathcliff had not essentially changed.
- 2.3 Heathcliff and Hindley. Hindley, after the death of his wife Frances, took to drink and gambling. Heathcliff who hated him saw a chance to avenge on him. Hindley had ill-treated Heathcliff as a servant and Heathcliff then made him never paid his debt till his death.
- 2.4 Heathcliff and Hareton. With the death of Hindley, Heathcliff made Hareton the same as he was when he had

degraded the same thing by Hindley. Heathcliff made Hareton a laborer on the land which was rightly his.

- 2.5 Heathcliff and (Cathy and Linton). Heathcliff arranged a marriage between Linton and Cathy, that Heathcliff thereby gaining possession of Thrushcross Grange. Linton then has died as a result of his neglect; Cathy is under his control and Hareton has been reduced to the state of a brutish, moody menial. Heathcliff is never relents from torturing persons he dislikes, even their innocent children.

Then, after reading and analyzing the story, the writer has the impression on this novel:

1. Emily Bronte wants to teach us how we should behave in society so that we can live in harmony with our fellowman. To make a harmonious relationship between self and society we should be able to keep it as good as possible.
2. Revenge is considered to be a desire for vengeance in return for a wrong. Someone who wants to take revenge is regarded to be bad because there is no positive impression on him. Revenge is considered to be something evil in human mind. It is also useless for we cannot get any benefits from this kind of action.

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