

Dilemma Of A Ghost

Two dramas depict the stories of a man who returns to his native Ghana with his sophisticated American wife, and a young woman who marries the man she loves, against her parents' wishes

The most comprehensive reference work on African literature to date, this book covers all the key historical and cultural issues in the field. The Encyclopedia contains over 600 entries covering criticism and theory, African literature's development as a field of scholarship, and studies of established and lesser-known writers and their texts. While the greatest proportion of literary work in Africa has been a product of the twentieth century, the Encyclopedia also covers the literature back to the earliest eras of story-telling and oral transmission, making this a unique and valuable resource for those studying social sciences as well as humanities. This work includes cross-references, suggestions for further reading, and a comprehensive index.

Derived from The Cambridge guide to theatre_

Esi, a divorced professional woman in Ghana, falls in love with an attractive married man, but is uncertain she wants to make the changes necessary for a relationship

La meva tesi doctoral consta de dues parts: The Cave:

Colonialism Black and White i The Cave Revisited. Towards a Subjectification of Africa and African Women. La primera part

la conformen dos capítols: Unveiling the Ghost: Heart of

Darkness or Africa-Chronotope Zero i (Auto) Biographical

Fiction: The Facing and De-Facing of Africa-. Aquests dos

primers capítols són una anàlisi de la ambigüitat del text de

Conrad que encara avui dia és una realitat fantasmagòrica en

l'imaginari africà anglòfon, per una banda, i una crítica de la

masculinitat que amaga el moviment literari de la Négritude

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que sorgí com un intent per part d'autors africans d' omplir el buit que l'imaginari occidental havia deixat en el continent africà, per l'altra. La segona part se centra en l'estudi de les obres que configuren la primera fase de la cerca literària d'Aidoo -The Dilemma of a Ghost i Anowa (drama), No Sweetness Here (contes) i Our Sister Killjoy or Reflections from a Black-eyed Squint (text genèricament inclassificable)-, uns textos que s'enfronten a un legat literari que nega o, en el millor dels casos, dilueix, la experiència de les dones africanes. Per demostrar com Ama Ata Aidoo desestabilitza el discurs eurocèntric exposant les seves ambivalències, contradiccions i inconcebibilitats m'emparó en l'obra crítica de Luce Irigaray i, concretament, Speculum of the Other Woman (1974). En aquesta obra, Irigaray desmonta el pensament filosòfic occidental evidenciant la mirada marcadament masculinista que ha interpretat el món i que ha deixat a la dona rellegada a un simple -i sovint molest- apèndix de l'home. L'última part del llibre (Plato's Hystera) és una anàlisi minuciosa d'un dels fonaments del pensament occidental: la caverna de Plató. La seva lectura deconstruccionista de la caverna de Plató determina la línia argumental de la investigació, dividint la tesi doctoral en les dues parts prèviament definides. Part I. The Cave. Colonialism Black and White i Part II. The Cave Revisited. Towards a Subjectification of Africa and African Women. La crítica que Irigaray fa de la caverna de Plató exposa un camí de pensament lineal -marcadament blanc i masculí- que allibera als presoners, sempre i quan aquests siguin homes. Dins del pensament platonià les dones no fugiran de la caverna, el camí lineal no funciona per a elles però la realitat de la caverna, i això és el que demostra Irigaray, és més complexa que un simple camí lineal; a la caverna hi ha bifurcacions, a la caverna s'hi pot trobar el que ella anomena "el camí oblidat" (the forgotten path) que és el que s'ha de recuperar si

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volem avançar més enllà del discurs eurocèntric. Irigaray no fa referència d'una manera sistemàtica a la occidentalitat blanca del discurs eurocèntric, sí que ho fa, incansablement, a la masculinitat que es desprén d'ell. L'obra d'Aidoo s'emmotlla perfectament a una crítica basada en el pensament d'Irigaray més, en aquest cas, el discurs eurocèntric que l'autora africana dissecciona desplega la seva masculinitat junt amb la seva occidentalitat blanca. En altres paraules, les dues coordenades que fixen la crítica al discurs eurocèntric en els textos d'Aidoo són el gènere i la raça.

The ghost has adopted the family as his, but is always trying to move on. Much to his dilemma, he can't find a way.

Stereomodernism and amplifying the Black Atlantic -- Sight reading: early Black South African transcriptions of freedom -- Négritude musicology: poetry, performance and statecraft in Senegal -- What women want: selling hi-fi in consumer magazines and film -- 'Soul to soul': echo-locating histories of slavery and freedom from Ghana -- Pirate's choice: hacking into (post-)pan-African futures -- Epilogue: Singing songs.

A celebration of Ama Ata Aidoo's work presented as a festschrift with a broad spectrum of articles and personal memoirs from scholars and literary artists. It conveys the full extent of Aidoo's place as a literary innovator and an exponent of radical social and cultural thought in Africa and internationally on account of its self-consciousness and gender

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equality. Included are a study, by playwright Femi Osofisan, of the Nigerian film industry and its impact on live theatre and negative images in contemporary Ghanaian music.

The essays in this groundbreaking collection constitute a pioneering attempt at establishing a comparative agenda for the study of black literatures and identities in the context of the European Union. Drawing from a wide variety of critical perspectives and methodologies, from Post-colonial or Diaspora Studies to Sociology or Ethnography, contributors to the volume analyze black diasporic communities and their cultural productions in Spain, Portugal, France, Italy, Germany and the United Kingdom, paying particular attention to women afrosporic writers.

A successful writer is stymied when his young wife dies of cancer. Distraught, he believes he will never be able to write again. His manuscript is due but his motivation is low. He knows he needs to get away if he ever hopes to save himself and his novel. He leases a rustic and historic cottage in Scotland to get away from it all. It is his last hope. In the cottage he encounters a ghost who haunts him, especially at night. Trying to unravel the mystery that keeps the ghost bound to the cottage, he and his companion dog, do their best to deal with the issues of relocation. He wants also to solve the dilemma of the ghost. His real challenge is to help the ghost move on.

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Ama Ata Aidoo is one of the best-known African writers today. Spanning three decades of work, the poems in this collection address themes of colonialism, independence, motherhood, and gender in intimate, personal ways alongside commentary on broader social issues. After the Ceremonies is arranged in three parts: new and uncollected poems, some of which Aidoo calls "misplaced or downright lost"; selections from Aidoo's *An Angry Letter in January and Other Poems*; and selections from *Someone Talking to Sometime*. Although Aidoo is best known for her novels *Changes: A Love Story* and *Our Sister Killjoy*, which are widely read in women's literature courses, and her plays *The Dilemma of a Ghost* and *Anowa*, which are read and performed all over the world, her prowess as a poet shines in this collection.

In this collection of short stories, Aidoo elevates the mundane in women's lives to an intellectual level in an attempt at challenging patriarchal structures and dominance in African society.

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Deutsch, Abstract: This study generally examines the effect of investigating conflict between traditional and western culture on the contemporary Ghanaian society, a case study of Ama Ata Aidoo's *The Dilemma of a Ghost*. The primary objective is to throw light on the strength, weakness of the Ghanaian contemporary culture and conflict resolution, how the traditional culture has been affected by the Western culture.

The population of the study consists of Techiman Traditional Council, Assemblymen, religious bodies and the media in the Bono East Region of Ghana. The study employed descriptive research design and purposive sampling technique for the data gathering. The finding of the study shows a negative impact of western civilisation on contemporary Ghanaian society, implying that Colonialism distorted and retarded the

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peace and tempo of Ghanaian culture growth. It was also noted that Ghanaian societies lost the power and sense of cultural continuity making it practically impossible for their recovering and progress. It was therefore concluded that there is a conflict between the Ghanaian contemporary culture and that of the western culture whereby the western culture is dramatically taking over the home culture of Ghana basing the case study on the Dilemma of a Ghost.

For the first time, a distinctive collection of plays by African women published in English

Thelma finds herself in feline form in a trunk in Michigan. How can she determine why she is there and how can she get home? Thelma longs for a long shower and a big cup of chocolate coffee. Suzanne and Cooper, who we met in Ghost House help Thelma in her travels. This is a fun read and although part of the Ghost Series, Ghost Cat, Thelma's Dilemma also can be read as a stand alone story.

Documents 1995 UN Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing. Forty three essays by men and women who attended the conference tell of their experiences and how they've applied what they learned at home. The words of these college presidents, students, teachers, homemakers, retirees, writers, clergy, and entrepreneurs who participated in the UN Fourth World Conference on Women document the remarkable initiative, energy, and vision of those who began and continue to coordinate the activities of Pittsburgh/Beijing '95 and Beyond. Auth also offers background information on the three previous UN Women's Conferences, outlines the work that has been accomplished since

the 1995 conference, and the plans for implementing the Beijing Platform for Action at the local level. Her remarks and the stories she has collected offer an intimate portrayal of an historical event that was largely under-reported by popular media. Essential reading for anyone who wants to know what really happened and what they can do now.

Winner of the 2013 Modern Language Association's William Sanders Scarborough Prize for Outstanding Scholarly Study of Black American Literature In this comparative study of contemporary Black Atlantic women writers, Samantha Pinto demonstrates the crucial role of aesthetics in defining the relationship between race, gender, and location. Thinking beyond national identity to include African, African American, Afro-Caribbean, and Black British literature, *Difficult Diasporas* brings together an innovative archive of twentieth-century texts marked by their break with conventional literary structures. These understudied resources mix genres, as in the memoir/ethnography/travel narrative *Tell My Horse* by Zora Neale Hurston, and eschew linear narratives, as illustrated in the book-length, non-narrative poem by M. Nourbese Philip, *She Tries Her Tongue, Her Silence Softly Breaks*. Such an aesthetics, which protests against stable categories and fixed divisions, both reveals and obscures that which it seeks to represent: the experiences of Black women writers in the African Diaspora. Drawing on

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postcolonial and feminist scholarship in her study of authors such as Jackie Kay, Elizabeth Alexander, Erna Brodber, Ama Ata Aidoo, among others, Pinto argues for the critical importance of cultural form and demands that we resist the impulse to prioritize traditional notions of geographic boundaries. Locating correspondences between seemingly disparate times and places, and across genres, Pinto fully engages the unique possibilities of literature and culture to redefine race and gender studies.

In this novel, the author explores the thoughts and experiences of a Ghanaian girl on her travels through Europe. It offers a running commentary on Sissie's feelings of alienation, her reflections on European culture and civilization and her return to the warmth of home in Africa. Ghost/Anowa and short stories No Sweetness Here. suitable for schools and universities.

Ghost is content to spend all his free time with Gerry. But scandal and hate surrounding Ghost's appointment as the first male witch, along with a deadly epidemic, force Ghost to make choices that will separate him from his love. Spurred on by a message from his mentor, Ghost embarks on a journey through mystical underground tunnels and lost civilizations to the frozen lands of his origin, seeking a way to neutralize the threat back home. While he struggles to find a balance between his

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duties as a witch and his calling as a seer, all Ghost really wants is to return to the haven he has found in Gerry's arms.

This exciting new anthology is the third in a series published under the rubric of "Emerging Perspectives" by Africa World Press, dedicated to recognizing and reconsidering the works of Africa's foremost writers. This volume features: a recent interview with Ama Ata Aidoo, examples of hard-to-find critical essays written by her; and three sections of critical writings on her work, focusing on the challenge of history in writing about Africa and its diaspora, the author's ability to cross genres to present an indigenous text, and the role of the woman as writer. These essays include literary analyses, interpretations, and explorations of sources, resources, and contexts with and in which the writer worked. They treat a broad range of issues: aesthetics, language, oral and written traditions, religion, colonialism and neo-colonialism, mythology, politics, feminism, and sexuality. In this unprecedented compilation of critical essays on all aspects of the writer's body of work-including her novels, poetry, short stories, drama, and even letters -- the contributors to this volume cover virtually all literary genres and critical forms in which the author has worked, establishing conclusively her versatility as a serious writer of world renown.

Postcolonial African writers have made enormous

