

## Homework #7

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Jane Eyre suffered a terrible life that no one in the right mind would want to go through. She was abused, bullied, and suffered terrible losses like her parents and siblings died from typhus. But, the whole plot would change if she was rich and beautiful. She wouldn't have went through the whole process of becoming a better version of herself. Nobody would disrespect her. It will be quite the opposite really. Everybody would love to be her friend. She might even have people around her who cares about her. Finally, she would most likely never have been able to meet her husband, who she loves dearly.

As you read the story, you will notice how Jane Eyre changed throughout the book. She changes just like a women would change in real life. She becomes, self-sufficient. What helped her was becoming a governess and then a headmistress of her school. Finally, she became very wealthy from her inheritance. She also starts to create her own values by the morals that she's gained over the years. Lastly, she has become a very mature women. She's happy with what she has become and she feels that she's finally equal with her husband, Mr. Rochester. [Aut01] Now, let's imagine she was grown up in a wealthy home, with beautiful sisters, including her. She wouldn't have to get her own morals and values. The parents would force their morals and values onto her. She would not have felt the same way as if she made her own morals and values. The same thing with everything else. She wouldn't be happy with the wealth that she has because she didn't earn it.

Most of Jane Eyre's life was living with abusive people. When she lived at the Gateshead Hall in her childhood, she would always be punished for things that she never did. Here's an incident that occurred while she was living in the Gateshead Hall.

You think I have no feelings, and that I can live without one bit of love or kindness; but I cannot live so; and you have no pity. I shall remember how you thrust me back—roughly and violently thrust me back into the red-room, and locked me up there—to my dying day; though I was in agony; ... And that punishment you made me suffer because your wicked boy struck me ... People think you a good woman; but you are bad—hard-hearted. [Cha98]

She was put in the red-room because she stood up to her cousin beating her up. So, her aunt put her in there to punish her. The red-room is where her uncle died in. Initially, Jane was just upset about how unjust her aunt was, but eventually, she started to imagine how upset her uncle feels about how his sister treats his family. She thought he would be so upset, that he would come back alive. Eventually, she went unconscious because she got to scared. She is also abused in other places. Like at her school, Lowood School and when she became governess at Thornfield Hall. Now, if she was beautiful and wealth, as she desired, she would never have went through all of the abuse that she had to endure. If somebody tried to abuse her and she had her loved ones around, like her parents, they would sue them because they would have the means to do so. Not only will everybody not try to mess with her, but they will try to become her friends. They will want to hang out more, go shopping, go to each other's houses, etc.

Jane Eyre met her husband when walking back home.

On her way back from a walk, she meets Mr Rochester for the first time. His horse slips on the ice and falls, and Jane has to help him. Still unaware of who he is, she is amazed on returning home to discover that the gentleman she met is in fact her employer. [Cha98]

The reason why she loves him is because she sees him as her emotional home. The reason is because she hasn't had anybody to love and for anybody to reciprocate that love. So, if she was beautiful and

wealthy, like she wished, she most likely have met another man. But, even if she still happened to meet Mr. Rochester, there's a high probability that she won't love him like she did when she was poor.

In conclusion, Jane Eyre would have been a completely different character. This includes having a different personality, mind set, the way she views things, what she likes and dislikes, her feelings, and her husband. So, in essence, it's a great thing that she went through what she did because that toughened her up, made her develop herself, and see the world for what it really is. And finally, she met the love of her life, and they both lived happily together.

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