



Does Romantic Writing Interrogate the Events of its Timeframe? William Wordsworth's "Resolution and Independence" and Dorothy Wordsworth's "From The Grasmere Journals"

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