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-- Toni Morrison's Depiction of Urban Life in Her Novel, Jazz



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I almost wish the novel was double its size; the themes would then have more room to develop and connect, which they rather tenuously do in the novel as written. Families would hold on to the photos as a way of commemorating the loved one. The African American past cannot be recovered whole and perfect; it must be reconstructed through following the traces, written in the face of the reality of the cracks.

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This beginning sound may be the scratching hiss of a record needle making contact with the surface of the record.

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Instead, she has only Pilate and Reba, grandmother and mother, two women so strong and independent that they do not understand her weakness. Certain seeds it will not nurture, certain fruit it will not bear.

Traces and Cracks: Identity and Narrative in Toni Morrison's Jazz

It's possible I'm at the wrong age to read this book, though. In lyrical prose the reader learns that the husband's young lover is already dead. As the woman runs away from him, she hits her head on a tree.

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