

Journal on a Rose for Emily by William Faulkner

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The story begins at the funeral of Miss Emily. She is from an aristocratic family and the town had a huge interest on her as the house in which she lived in was the only one the town that can attract an eye and people were unable to notice what happen inside for many years. The town had a special relationship with Miss Emily ever since it decided to stop billing her for taxes in 1894. The "newer generation" was not happy with this arrangement, so they paid a visit to Miss Emily and tried to convince her to pay the debt. She refused to acknowledge that the old arrangement might not work anymore, and flatly refused to pay. Homer Barron is a guy with whom she dated for a few times but when Barron refused her to marry, Emily killed and kept him upstairs for many years. After her death, while all the town people gathered in her funeral, they discovered the dead, dried and smelly body of Barron.

Though this story is based on only one character's nature, it contains certain secondary characters those are helpful to bloom the main character and helps it to express its intention accordingly. Miss Emily is the central Character of this story. She has been pictured as a dominant character and very introvert in nature. While the new aldermen came to her house she does not even bother to refuse the tax and while she went to buy the poison did not mention the reason for buying this as the law requires so. For her introvert nature we cannot blame herself but her father as he denied all the men who wanted to marry Emily. Tobe is another character in this story whose nature looks very ordinary but mysterious. He is a colored young men stayed in Emily's house as a servant. The people of the town only could see him leaving the house with a grocery pot and entering the house with the grocery. Homer Barron is the man who was

murdered by Emily and once dated with her. In profession he was with some construction work that we know from the story and often visit the town Miss Emily lived in. Another character is Emily's father. From the story and the symbol, we know that he also was a dominant person and always think him in an upper level in the society. Colonel Sartoris is the man who relieves Miss Emily of her tax obligation when her father died. We do not know much more about why Colonel Sartoris did this but we assume that they might have a good family relation. Another minor character of the story is old lady Wyatt, Judge Stevens and the two cousins.

This story has been described as a first person perspective. The word "we" indicates that the story is being told by the town people so we can say the narrator as "first people" perspective rather "first person". The setting of this story is in a creepy old house in Jefferson, Yoknapatawpha Country, Mississippi.

"The Necklace" is a story about greed and its result on human. The story clearly shows how upset Mme. Loisel was because of her poverty of aristocratic life. For which her downfall from the normal life also have been described here. The other themes of the story are love and friendship. M. Loisel tried his best to fulfill Mme. Loisel's demand in spite of his small income (we know that he was a clerk of department of education). Another theme which is friendship has shown by Mme. Forestier a rich lady who does not bother to lend her costly jewelry to Loisel couple.

The necklace here symbolizes not only just an ordinary jewelry but a symbol of beauty, wealth, happiness, luster, false and destruction. At the very beginning Mme. Loisel wanted the jewelry to make her to be seen gorgeous in the party and it also worked as she wanted. She was able to catch the eyes of everyone including the minister which feels her happier. This happiness

that bought by the necklace is not perpetual rather the negative effect of it was much more painful. Whenever she noticed that the necklace was not with her both of them became worried and seem their happiness has gone forever. To replace the necklace, they had to sell their house even for which a miserable lifestyle they had to choose which was not ever expected or dreamed by her. So, the luster of the necklace turned their life like in deep dark locked room where happiness is far away.

The writing style of this story is a mixture of dialogue and brief description. In the whole text we can see that before starting dialogue the writer is mentioning the situation which helps the readers to understand the fact easily. More interesting is the paragraph he used in his writing is way too short but very easy to understand. The word choosing of the story is enough suitable for the ordinary readers to understand the story clearly.

From the story we know the moral that is greediness cause man's downfall. M. Loisel was not happy with what she had and her greediness caused not only her downfall but her husband's as well. So, we should remind in mind that being greedy we are not harming ourselves but also harming those who are close to us and also who are our well wisher.