

The root of Theory & prevailing discussions

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Abstract:

The primary limelight of this research paper revolves around the topic of literary theory and post-theory discussions in literary field. The researchers have tried to pinpoint the critical approach of liberal humanism (traditional approach) being applied prior to modern theory; which, they noted, had paved ways for new critical approaches to literary studies. These new approaches under the title of literary theory have ushered in a new era of critical discussions. While plethora of questions and objections were also raised against literary theory by various scholars, due to which, the post-theory or after-theory debate begun. All these prospects of liberal humanism, modern literary theory and post-theory have been critically visualized in this article.

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