


Katherine Mansfield: "The Garden Party"

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Background



- Biography
- British colonization of New Zealand
 - British class structure
- Monomyth as organizing structure.
 - Persephone Myth
- Arum Lily: Symbol of purity.
- Assignment.

New Zealand Timeline

- A.D. 1000's Early Maori settlers in New Zealand.
- 1642 Abel Janszoon Tasman became the first European to sight New Zealand.
- 1769 James Cook landed on New Zealand and claimed it for Britain (now the United Kingdom).
- 1840 The British and the Maori signed the Treaty of Waitangi, giving the British the right to govern New Zealand.
- 1860-1872 Settlers on the North Island fought the Maori in the New Zealand Wars.
- 1861 The New Zealand gold rush began.
- 1893 New Zealand became the first country to grant women the right to vote.
- 1907 New Zealand became a dominion within the British Empire.
- 1938 New Zealand set up a social security program that included health care for all citizens.
- 1984 New Zealand adopted a policy that banned nuclear weapons and nuclear-powered ships from its ports.
- 1997 Jenny Shipley became the first woman prime minister of New Zealand.

British Class Structure

<p>Class Divisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper Class <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aristocrats such as royal family • Upper Middle Class <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Doctor - Lawyer - CEO - Professor • Middle Class <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Company employee - Public employee • Working Class <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unskilled laborers 	<p>Characteristics of Class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Generally speaking, a person's language and accent reveals class. - Typical British English is called "RP (Received Pronunciation)" also known as "King's English", "Queen's English". - Upper Class consists of only a few royal family and aristocrats, and their accent is just their own language, not RP. • Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RP is the pronunciation spoken by educated people in the Upper Middle who went to public school and a prestigious university, such as Oxford or Cambridge.
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Remember Joseph Campbell's Monomyth Structure?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maud Bodkin's calls the monomyth archetypal story, the "Rebirth or Night Journey." • Hero lured from ordinary world. • Carried away or voluntarily proceeds to the "threshold of adventure." <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encounters a "shadow" presence that guards the passage. - Enters alive or dead the "kingdom of the dark." 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hero journeys through a "world of unfamiliar yet strangely intimate forces." • Experiences "supreme ordeal" at the nadir & receives "reward." • Hero must work to return to ordinary world. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If blessed, will be helped. • Threshold Crossing: returns to ordinary world with "reward" that will replenish that world or <u>restore it</u>.
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