

A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF DYSTOPIAN THEMES IN WESTERN AND EASTERN LITERATURE

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Dystopia, that is, an image of a non-ideal society, is one of the most interesting and important areas of literature. Dystopian themes are reflected in many works in Western and Eastern literature. Through these works, the authors explore the problems of society, the complexity of human nature, and the dangers of the future. In Western literature, dystopian themes are more focused on issues of technological progress, government control, and human freedom, while in Eastern literature, traditional values, changes in religion, and culture, as well as social injustices are more visible.

INTRODUCTION. Among the most famous dystopian works in Western literature are George Orwell's novel 1984 and Aldous Huxley's Brave New World. "1984" explores themes such as the impact of a totalitarian state on human life, the loss of freedom and individuality. In his work, Orwell describes the terrible events that await humanity in the future. The absence of state control, propaganda and freedom of thought is one of the main ideas of this work.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Orwell's dystopia, which is still relevant today, sheds light on many social and political issues. Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World" shows the technological progress of mankind and its consequences. Huxley describes future humans as emotionless and incapacitated beings controlled by biotechnology. This work shows the danger of losing human freedom and individuality. Huxley's dystopia encourages thinking about the future of humanity and analyzes the impact of technology on social life. In Eastern literature, dystopian themes are more related to social and cultural problems. For example, in Uzbek literature, authors such as Abdulla Qadiri and Chingiz Aitmatov introduced dystopian elements in their works.

Abdulla Qadiri describes the social injustices and difficulties of his time in the novel "O'tkan kunlar". This work shows the conflicts between traditional values and the new social order. Qadiri, in his work, explores the complexities of the social life of mankind and thereby sheds light on the problems of his time. Chingiz Aitmatov's work "Jamila" shows the inner world of a person, love and human relationships. Aitmatov explores the conflicts between traditional values and modern life in his work. It also focuses on issues of social injustice and human freedom. Aitmatov's dystopian images, while illuminating the social problems of his time, encourage us to think about the future of humanity. A comparative study of dystopian themes in Western and Eastern literature reveals the unique characteristics of both cultures. Western literature focuses more on issues of technological progress and state control, while Eastern literature focuses more on traditional values and social injustices. These differences are due to the specific problems and values of each culture.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Dystopian works, while highlighting the problems of their time, also show the dangers of the future. Western literature deals with the dangers of totalitarianism and technological control, while Eastern literature deals with the loss of traditional values and social injustices. These works encourage readers to think about their lives, society and future. The study of dystopian themes in Western and Eastern literature shows the place of literature in human life, its importance in illuminating social and cultural problems. In both cultures, dystopian images encourage thinking about the future of humanity and solving social problems. These works, while illuminating the problems of their time, provide important lessons for the future of humanity.[1]

Literature is one of the art forms that play an important role in human history. He reflects the cultural, social and political problems of his time and reveals the inner world of humanity. Western and Eastern literature, while different, have many similarities. The first appearance of similarities between Western and Eastern literature is related to the common feelings and experiences of mankind. In both cultures, universal themes such as human life, love, suffering and hope are covered. Emotions such as love, friendship, betrayal, and self-discovery are widely depicted in Western and Eastern literature. In Western literature, William Shakespeare's works show love and human relationships, the inner world of man, and social conflicts. In Eastern literature, in the works of Alisher Navoi and Jami, love and human relations are shown, which in turn reflect the general feelings of humanity. One of the similarities between Western and Eastern literature is to cover the problems of their time

in a historical context. In Western literature, works written in the 19th century raise issues of industrialization, social injustices, and human rights. Eastern literature reflects the traditional values, religious and social problems of its time. This similarity stems from the unique social conditions and historical events of both cultures. Literature, in both cultures, serves as a powerful tool for illuminating the social problems of its time and reflecting the common experiences of humanity. There are similar styles in Western and Eastern literature. Both cultures have powerful means of expression through storytelling, visual arts, and symbols. In Western literature, the styles of romanticism and realism are widely used to describe the inner feelings of a person and the external environment. In Eastern literature, mystical literature and folklore are expressed in their own ways of describing the human psyche and nature. These styles create a unique aesthetic image of both cultures. Stylistic similarities further increase the importance of literature in human life and bring them closer to each other. There are also many common ideas in Western and Eastern literature. Ideas such as human freedom, justice, love and hope are important in both cultures.[2]

In Western literature, for example, in the works of Victor Hugo and Fyodor Dostoyevsky, issues of human freedom and justice are raised. In Eastern literature, in the works of Navoi and Fuzuli, the ideas of love and humanity are reflected. These ideas come from the unique values and human experiences of both cultures. These ideas, expressed through literature, play an important role in solving the common problems of mankind. Issues of social injustice and human rights also occupy an important place in Western and Eastern literature. In both cultures, authors try to defend social injustices and human rights in their works. In Western literature, Mark Twain's "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" raises issues of childhood and social injustice. In Eastern literature, in the works of Abdulla Kadiri and Chingiz Aitmatov, issues of social injustice and human rights are highlighted. This similarity stems from both cultures' emphasis on human rights and social justice. Literature serves as a powerful tool in the fight against social injustice.[3]

Issues of nature and its beauty are also shown in Western and Eastern literature. In both cultures, nature is depicted as an integral part of human life. In Western literature, the beauty of nature and the relationship of man to nature are shown in the period of Romanticism. In Eastern literature, in the works of Navoi and Jami, nature and its beauty occupy an important place in reflecting the human spirit and life experiences. This similarity shows the importance of nature in human life and emphasizes the connection of man with nature. Symbols and metaphors are widely used in Western and Eastern literature. In both cultures, authors express deep meanings in their works through symbols and metaphors. In

Western literature, the works of Edgar Allan Poe and Franz Kafka show human psychology and social problems through symbols and metaphors. Eastern literature, mystical literature illuminates the depths of the human psyche through symbols and metaphors. This similarity creates an aesthetic and philosophical image of both cultures. Symbols and metaphors help to understand deeper meanings in literature and encourage readers to think. The presentation of historical events and personalities is also one of the similarities between Western and Eastern literature. In both cultures, authors reflect the problems of their time through historical events and figures in their works. In Western literature, historical novels and biographies cover historical figures and events. In Eastern literature, historical works and epics reflect historical events and personalities of their time. This similarity stems from the historical experiences of both cultures and helps to understand history through literature. Folklore and traditions are also important in Western and Eastern literature. In both cultures, folklore and traditions have a great influence on the development of literature. In Western literature, folk tales and legends contribute to the development of literature. In Eastern literature, folklore plays an important role in preserving traditional values and culture. [4]

This similarity stems from both cultures' emphasis on folk art and shows the connection between literature and the people. Similarities in Western and Eastern literature stem from common human experiences, social problems, and cultural values. In both cultures, universal themes such as love, justice, human freedom, and the beauty of nature are shown. These similarities show the place and importance of literature in human life. The study of Western and Eastern literature helps to understand the common experiences and emotions of mankind, which in turn promotes intercultural communication. The uniqueness of literature is reflected in how it is expressed in different cultures. In Western literature, many authors have tried to illuminate modern problems in their works. For example, Franz Kafka in his works reflects a person's sense of powerlessness in front of social systems, loss of identity. In Eastern literature, for example, Navoi and Fuzuli illuminate the depths of the human psyche, the ideas of love and justice in their works. These similarities stem from the literary traditions and philosophical views of both cultures. Similarities between Western and Eastern literature also show the importance of folklore in the development of literature. In both cultures, folklore and traditions have a great influence on the development of literature. In Western literature, folk tales and legends contribute to the development of literature. In Eastern literature, folklore plays an important role in preserving traditional values and culture. This similarity stems from both cultures' emphasis on folk art and shows the connection between literature and the people. [5]

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, a comparative study of dystopian themes in Western and Eastern literature reveals the unique characteristics of both cultures. Western literature focuses more on issues of technological progress and state control, while Eastern literature focuses more on traditional values and social injustices. These differences are due to the specific problems and values of each culture. Dystopian works encourage thinking about the future of humanity and play an important role in solving social problems.

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