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Albert, Susan B. "Once Upon a Conflict: A Psychodynamic Exploration of the Meaning and Value of Fairy Tales." Psy.D. diss. Widener University, Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology, 1992. 112 pp. DAI 53:4360B.

Albert believes that fairy tales may be as valuable as they are popular. By examining their "therapeutic value in the context of a psychodynamic developmental framework" she shows the ways in which fairy tales change children's attitudes and behavior. Defines fairy tales, gives a history of "Little Red Cap" and its "preoedipal issues," and includes an analysis of "oedipal conflict and its prevalence" in fairy tales.

Arthur, Joe. "Hardly Boys: An Analysis of Behaviors, Social Changes and Class Awareness Hidden in the Old Text of The Hardy Boys Stories, 1927-1991." Ph.D. diss. Ohio State University, 1991. 362 pp. DAI 52:2963A.

While analyzing the changes in emphasis and the uses of stereotyping, logic, and vocabulary in the Hardy boys series from its inception to 1991, Arthur observes that these "independent" boys, products of passive parents, "left their safe house behind and, not unlike lower class youth and the very criminals they pursued . . . , came and went as they chose, all in the name of law and order." He makes equally pitiful observations about gangs, aunts, mothers, children as products of nature, children as products of nurture, and career police officers.

Bown, Roger. "Children and Popular Television." Ph.D. diss. University of Wales College of Cardiff (United Kingdom), 1988. 262 pp. DAI 51:1583C.

Focuses on British popular television, both at home and in school. "Children's understanding of television is considered in the framework for the development of classroom activity" and offers "a substantial amount of material which has important theoretical and conceptual bearings, both on the broad area of media education and on specific aspects of Media Studies in the primary school."

Bristow, Margaret Bernice Smith. "An Analysis of Myth in Selected Fiction of Virginia Hamilton." Ed.D. diss. University of Virginia, 1992. 313 pp. DAI 53:3463A.

Bristow analyzes Zeely, *The Time-Ago Tales of Jahdu*, *Time Ago Lost: More Tales of Jahdu*, *The Magical Adventures of Pretty Pearl*, and Hamilton's use of myth and concludes that she "adheres to classic traditions in myth . . . , mythic heroes, traditional archetypes [such] as the great mother, the

trickster, the child archetype and [the use] of traditional mythologies [such] as the circle, the snake, the tree, [and] the forest." She believes Hamilton becomes progressively more afrocentric in her novels, that she has created "the first modern Afro-American trickster as well as the first modern mythic black heroine, Pretty Pearl."

Burdan, Judith Hope. "Managing Character: The Child and the Novel in the Eighteenth Century." Ph.D. diss. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1992. 225 pp. DAI 53:3208A.

Burdan searched child-rearing manuals, eighteenth-century novels for adults, children's books, and educational treatises to further explain the "familiar lyrical treatment of childhood in Romantic poetry." Exemplary works are **[End Page 271]** Rousseau's *Emile*, Locke's *Some Thoughts on Education*, and Maria and Richard Edgeworth's *Practical Thoughts on Education*. She stresses that "children's literature helped to naturalize and codify the 'childlike' characteristics promoted by educational treatises."

Byrnes, Alice E. "The Archetypal Symbol of the Child in Literature for Children and Adults." D.A. diss. St. John's University, 1992. 191 pp. DAI 53:2802A.

Byrnes deals with the concepts of the child as symbol and archetype in a Jungian approach to literature. She observes that "the symbiotic relationship of the child and adult in literature is a metaphor of the integration of child-like innocence and adult wisdom," The dissertation stresses the significance of the protégé-mentor relationship, e.g., adolescents may read to learn about the passage from childhood to adulthood, while adults may "look to literature that helps them to recapture the joys of childhood. Literature of the archetypal child . . . helps students of all ages to recognize the mutual benefits that may emanate from the nurturing influence of a protégé-mentor relationship." She discusses *Anne of Green Gables* and *Silas Marner*, among other works.

Caltabiano, Francis Bernard. "Characteristics and..."

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Brisson, Margaret Bernice Smith. "An Analysis of Myth in Selected Fiction of Virginia Hamilton." Ed. D. diss. University of Virginia, 1992. 813 pp. DAI 53:2463A.

Brisson analyzes *Zolly, Or: The Age Tale of Jahan's True Age Lost After Years of Jahan, The Magical Adventure of Pretty Pearl*, and Hamilton's use of myth and concludes that she "adheres to classic traditions in myth . . . mythic heroes, traditional archetypes [such as the great mother, the trickster, the child archetype and [the use] of traditional mythologies [such as the circle, the snake, the tree, [and] the forest." She believes Hamilton becomes progressively more affirmative: "a her model that she has created "the first credible Afro-American trickster as well as the first non-white mythic black heroine, Pretty Pearl."

Burton, Judith Hope. "Managing Character: The Child and the Novel in the Eighteenth Century." Ph.D. diss. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1992. 295 pp. DAI 53:3208A.

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*Children's Literature 23*, ed. Francine Butler, R. H. W. Dillgard, and Elizabeth Lennox Keyser (Yale University Press, 93 Hill House College).



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