
Application of Michael Rifater's Theory of Semiotics in the Analysis of the Poem "A Night at the Holy Shrine"

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Abstract

Semiotics studies systematically the factors that influence the process of reaching the meanings in a text. Sign systems, including languages and codes, operate in the field of semiotics. That is why Rifater for reaching implications, suggests two types of readings: Linear or heuristic reading, and then another as retroactive reading. In the first reading, the reader gains a superficial understanding of the meaning of the text, however, in the second reading, after identifying ungrammatically factors; it can access hidden layers of text through descriptive aggregation frameworks and descriptive associative clusters. The research question is also the discovery of hidden relationships and implications of the text index. In Rahi Mo'ayyeri's poetry, the poet encounters a problem.

He tries to solve it and gets nowhere. He begs Imam Reza (as). His request is answered. He writes a poem whose theme is from within the poet. As a result, the structural network of the text has three implications: the poet's desire, its fulfillment, and the problem solving.

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