Department of English and American Studies, Faculty of Arts, Palacký University Olomouc **B.A.** Thesis Evaluation

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Title: Comparative Analysis of *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë and *Wide Sargasso Sea* by Jean Rhys Supervisor: Mgr. Pavlína Flajšarová, Ph.D. Opponent reviewer: Mgr. Barbara Szot

	Grade	Notes
	A, B, C, D,	
	E, F	
	(F = fail)	
1/ Aim/Goal:	E	Not well defined and unoriginal. The title
Definition Accomplishment		awkwardly advertises the method rather than the topic. There are alarming similarities with the
Accomplianment		aims and objectives of another bachelor thesis
		which is listed in the bibliography but not once
		mentioned in the body text.
2/ Context, Background, Review of	E	No proper review of literature is offered despite
Literature		the two texts having a long history of being
		comparatively analysed. Chapter 2 heavily relies
		on Palgrave Key Concepts introductions which
		raises questions as to whether the topics chosen to be presented were adequately studied by the
		author.
3/ Theory, Key Concepts, Method,	С	Not well defined. Victorian literature and
Approach:		postcolonial literature introduced as "the
Definition		necessary literary and social context" are not
Accomplishment		referred to in further sections and it is not clear
		why the author chose to devote a chapter to
4/ Argumentation (ability to accurately	С	them. Individual paragraphs tend to be coherent but
form initial and closing arguments,	C	with the aims of the thesis explained somewhat
logical coherence, ability to generalize		vaguely the argumentation is sometimes hard to
as well as present pertinent specific		follow.
details)		
5/ Knowledge of primary literature	С	Although the author acknowledges the
		importance of multiple narrative voices in <i>Wide</i> Sargasso Sea on pages 14-15 in her thesis, she
		disregards it in the analytical part.
6/ Knowledge of secondary literature	E	Relevant sources were used but given the
(extent, adequacy)	_	popularity of the topic the author chose for her
		thesis the bibliography fails to impress. Not
		acknowledging Violová's work in the body texts
		constitutes a major transparency issue.
7/ Originality (in argumentation,	E	The analytical part consists largely of plot
critical approach and conclusions)		summaries offering little in terms of revealing insights.
8/ Formal level (adhering to citation	В	Minor errors occur.
and bibliographic standards)	D	
9/ Stylistic level of the thesis	В	Appropriate with some mother-tongue
		interference.
10/ Stylistic level of the summary		
11/ Typography, graphic appearance,	В	Minor errors occur.

absence of errors	
12/ Structure (organization, arrangement)	Arguably a more productive arrangement of themes in the analytical part could be found than a simple chronological one.
13 / Thesis's contribution to the field	See points 1 and 7.

Comments and Questions for the defense: Please explain how your thesis differs from Zuzana Violová's work listed in your sources.

In closing: The thesis is - is not - recommended for defense.

Suggested classification (A, B, C, D, E, F): E

Date: May 13, 2019

Opponent of the B.A. thesis