

Assignment: Analysis of Art for Themes in *Jane Eyre*

- Choose one of the following paintings to analyze for the themes we have discussed in Victorian art and literature. Hypothesize about the story that is being told. Look for clues in the composition, the use of light and dark, the expressions of the subject, etc. What impact does the work have on the viewer? What might the artist's viewpoint be?
- Specifically, what might this work tell you about the Victorian age? Think about the issues we have already discussed: Wealth and poverty, idealized rural life, Britain's economic power, the role of women, mythology/ superstition, religion, nature romanticized, or the Victorian family.
- What unanswered questions might you have about this work? Do you detect a message or purpose in the work that you cannot identify or about which you cannot reach a conclusion?







































