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## Recurring Themes in Shakespeare's Sonnets

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## **Abstract**

This project is an attempt to discuss the study that is entitled Recurring Themes in Shakespeare's Sonnets; Shakespeare's sonnets play an essential role in the world of Literature in general and poetry specifically. They consist of 154 classic sonnets that masterfully dramatize truth, beauty, and love; all together they suggest a story although the exact details of that story are elusive and mysterious. The aim of this research is to experiences the unique values that Shakespeare gave to his texts through the multiple themes. Besides that we get familiarized with the mysterious that surrounds Shakespeare's personal life. The major conflict in Shakespeare's sonnets generally focuses on the themes of Time, Life and Love. The poems explore the complexities of love, beauty, and time. The research tries to address the nature of poetry, its power and limitations. Shakespeare's problem with time is the explanation of invincible power of time and unchanging devotion to love vindicates the power of his art to stand against the cruel blow of time. As well as Shakespeare's struggle between what collective society is willing to accept and an individual's desires in his life. We have divided our work in this research into four parts, the first part we talked about Shakespeare's life and works, and in the second part we talked about his sonnets and we choose four of them. Overall, the sonnets are rich explorations of the human experience, offering insights into love, life, and the passage of time that continue to resonate with readers today.

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