

"AMERICAN DREAM" IN WALT WHITMAN'S POEMS

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Abstract. *The American Dream is the thought of everyone having the same chance of becoming successful. Walt Whitman's perspective of the American Dream is working hard will help you achieve a better life. Langston Hughes's perspective of the American Dream is to have equality throughout the American society. While both Whitman and Hughes are similar in their belief in the promise of the American Dream, they are different in their perspective of its reality.*

Key words: *Walt Whitman, "Leaves of grass", American dream, father of free verse.*

«АМЕРИКАНСКАЯ МЕЧТА» В СТИХАХ УОЛТА УИТМЕНА

Аннотация. *Американская мечта – это мысль о том, что у всех одинаковые шансы добиться успеха. Взгляд Уолта Уитмена на американскую мечту: усердная работа поможет вам добиться лучшей жизни. С точки зрения Лэнгстона Хьюза американская мечта заключается в обеспечении равенства во всем американском обществе. Хотя и Уитмен, и Хьюз схожи в своей вере в перспективы американской мечты, они различаются в своем взгляде на ее реальность.*

Ключевые слова: *Уолт Уитмен, «Листья травы», американская мечта, отец свободного стиха.*

Walt Whitman, often called the "father of free verse," was an American poet whose work is deeply rooted in the ideals of the American Dream. His poetry reflects the values of democracy, individualism, and the pursuit of happiness that have come to define the American Dream.

It seems like there might be a typo in your request. It appears you are referring to the book "Leaves of Grass" by Walt Whitman. "Leaves of Grass" is a renowned poetry collection written by the American poet Walt Whitman. First published in 1855, the collection is notable for its unconventional and groundbreaking approach to themes such as nature, the individual, democracy, and the human experience.

Whitman's "Leaves of Grass" is celebrated for its free verse style and its deeply personal exploration of the human condition. The book underwent several revisions throughout Whitman's life, with the final edition containing over 400 poems. The poet's use of free verse and his candid exploration of themes that were considered controversial at the time, such as sexuality and the body, challenged traditional poetic conventions and had a profound impact on American literature.

"Leaves of Grass" is a collection of poetry written by the acclaimed American poet Walt Whitman. First published in 1855, this iconic work has secured its place in the literary canon and holds immense importance for Americans.

Walt Whitman's "Leaves of Grass" is a celebration of the American spirit and the democratic ethos. Whitman's exploration of the individual, nature, and the diverse tapestry of American life resonates deeply with the American experience. The collection expresses a sense of optimism, freedom, and the belief in the potential of the individual, reflecting key tenets of the American identity.

In many of his poems, Whitman celebrates the diversity and freedom that America offers. He saw the country as a place where people from all walks of life could come together and create a new society based on equality and justice. Whitman's famous collection of poems, "Leaves of Grass," captures the essence of the American Dream through its exploration of the human experience and the connection between the individual and the larger community.

One of Whitman's most famous poems, "Song of Myself," is a celebration of the individual and an affirmation of the interconnectedness of all people. The poem's speaker revels in the beauty of the world and the diversity of human experience, embracing all aspects of life and declaring, "I am large, I contain multitudes."

Whitman also addressed the darker side of the American Dream in his work, acknowledging the struggles and inequalities that exist within society. In "I Hear America Singing," he depicts the lives of ordinary workers, celebrating their contributions to the country and acknowledging their resilience in the face of adversity. Whitman's bold embrace of all aspects of human experience, including the physical, the spiritual, and the democratic, continues to be a source of inspiration for Americans. His vision of an inclusive and expansive American identity, rooted in the connections between the individual and the broader society, remains relevant and influential to this day.

Overall, Whitman's poetry reflects a deep belief in the potential for America to be a land of opportunity and freedom for all. His work embodies the spirit of the American Dream, emphasizing the importance of individuality, equality, and the pursuit of a better life. Whitman's vision of America continues to resonate with readers today, reminding us of the enduring power of the American Dream and the values that define it. "Leaves of Grass" has left an indelible mark on American literature and culture. Its celebration of diversity, democracy, and the human spirit has resonated with generations of readers and has become an enduring symbol of American literary achievement.

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