

Essay Prompts on Motherhood

Motherhood and Sacrifice

Discuss how literature explores the theme of maternal sacrifice. Are these sacrifices depicted as noble, necessary, or burdensome?

The Dark Side of Motherhood

Explore depictions of mothers as flawed, neglectful, or destructive.

Intergenerational Mother-Daughter Relationships

Explore how literature portrays the transmission of values, trauma, or culture through maternal lines.

Maternal Agency and Resistance

Consider how mothers resist societal or patriarchal constraints. Can resistance redefine what it means to be a mother?