

General Discussion Questions on Motherhood

How are mother-child relationships portrayed in terms of love, duty, sacrifice, or conflict?

How do societal expectations and norms influence the mothers' actions and choices in the text?

In what ways do cultural and historical contexts shape the portrayal of mothers?

How do class, race, ethnicity, and social status influence the depiction of mothers?

Are there differences in maternal expectations for women of different backgrounds?

Do literary mothers challenge or conform to gender roles? How?