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## Discrimination of Social Status in Stephen King's The Shining

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## **ABSTRACT**

This research works seeks to analyse the theme of class struggle in the novel "The Shining" by Stephen King. Later, this book was adapted into a Stanley Kubrick-directed film with the current title "the Shining. "In this narrative, Stephen King describes his frightening encounter at the Stanley the lodging facility. The Overlook hotel got a recreation of the Stanley Hotel in the film "The Shining." The lodging's Room 237 serves as the room which received the paranormal records frequently. Kubrick's use of the name room 237 contains a number of contentious elements. Jack's child, Danny, has numerous personalities that help him recognise threat. Jack, who wanted to earn a consistent income, took an employment at a supernatural hotel and got himself stuck in a mess. At the conclusion of the film, people found that it consisted of a looping process. Throughout the film, Danny possesses two personalities, and at times uses both of them for himself to escape threats. The film features numerous horror-related additions by Kubrick. Stephen King uses his imaginary story roles to illustrate a mental shift in the human psyche, and he also incorporates numerous supernatural aspects into the book.

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The Stanley Hotel, which is situated in Colorado, USA, was the inspiration for this brilliant narrative. During 1907 - 1909, the "Overlook hotel" emerged above a native Indian funeral site. Stephen King created this book as a result of a terrifying experience he encountered in which a youngster was pursued by a flame. After that unexpectedly stood out of the bed, and he was beginning to perspire. In Stanley, there is a location where many enigmatic and superficial activities occur. Gas accident caused ablaze at the hotel during 1911. It's another factor for individuals having enigmatic concepts. Following that explosion, numerous unexplained occurrences are documented, while rumours circulate across the entire nation. Apparently there exists a rumour claiming the hotel's original owners remain present as souls. The hotel's identity plus rumours about it gained widespread notoriety. Particularly, a lot of individuals claimed seeing ghosts around the rooms. The Timberline Lodge requested the movie faculty to change room 217 to that of 237. The hedge maze serves as the sole feature of the property which has been lost since John W. Cullen purchased it two decades ago.

From the movie plot, the protagonist named "Jack Torrance" he is an unrecognized writer and recovering from alcohol .Jack Torrance is a middle class man who wants to earn money and his character represents the other lower class and middle class people's goal as well. Wendy Torrance is the wife of Jack Torrance and Danny is son of Jack. Danny has a power that is communicating to other peoples through mind. He has an ability to see things that other people can't see . In shining more than psychology film ,the term telepathy was discussed in the film. Danny and dick having same telepathy. In the beginning of the story, dick warned Danny to stay away from the room 237. Danny also asks to dick that is you afraid of that room. Danny's telepathy also called in the name of tony his multi personality character. In this movie the three major characters are Jack, Wendy and Danny. Jack is committed to be the main role of the novel and Wendy Torrance also played major role here, she has a cunning idea to escape and to save her son. Danny has some psychic power like predicting the future and communicating to people through minds. Danny had an multi personality disorder. Danny had an character named tony who helps or alerts him in dangerous situation.

Movie plot started with jack, that he got a job in the hotel Overlook as caretaker. The manager mentions that there was a murder occurred in the hotel who family was died because of paranormal activity. Making a scientific theory, the character of caretaker is taken as another loop. The following actions are happening to jack. Jack was stucked in between the time loop of Predestination Paradox. To breaking the loop he has to find the loop holes and ends in finding the missing details of his past life to find the solution. In"The Shining", Jack also affected with this condition. Every humans needs to survive through financially good. As tosurvive, Jack finds a job in haunted hotel ended up in getting inside the loop. He may deny it but he can't, Because his talents wasn't recognised with recognition or experience his life goes not well. So that, He used this opportunity to write a book and ended up stucking in loop.

This film was adapted from Stephen King's novel "The shining". The film little bit feels like documentary especially the shifting scenes. Kubrick operated well at the crucial times. He has given the first person view of the character when the paranormal interaction arrives. This attempt makes the movie more effective. In the novel Stephen King says that room no.217 was the haunted room but in the film it was changed to room no. 237 because Timberline Lodge has asked to Kubrick to change the room number. The main reason to change the room number is the customer will afraid of staying in that particular room so Kubrick changed to room 237 non existing room in that hotel. Kubrick displayed that room 237 was haunted room and he mentions "room 237" in many movies, there was a mystery behind the number, Many shows that it was an conspiracy topic to discuss. He mentions the hidden details of moon landing. He mentions the room 237 in his other movies also "Shawshank Redemption" and "Room 237" (documentary). He gave a conspiracy theory that deals with moon landing. Kubrick points out the space mission

where he gives critical points like Who took the picture of first person stepping into the moon? And How the flag is wavering in the movie "the shining". In room 237, he gives secret message of moon landing. In "Room 237" Documentary, The character names Danny was slightly related to the Apollo 11, where his outfit represents the rocket and the hexagonal carpet relates to the Launch pad of the rocket.

Jack at the hall having a nightmare that, he is murdering his wife and son. Maybe Jack is recalling the previous life memory in dream and thinking it as nightmare. At the time Danny got hurt in the room 237 then Jack went to room 237 to find out who hurtled his son then he knows it was haunted room. He can leave the place but he didn't because he want to continue his writings and he wants money. Here we can see how the loop is playing there. The one who committed the murder in previously or time came as a soul and clarified Jack's role. Jack known his mission is to kill his wife and son. Then Wendy came to say leave but she finds jacks writing. He wrote "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" in all the pages and lines. It was such a bone chilling moment in the movie. In this scene also refers that Kubrick's controversial talk that is he want to prove something but he can't. Then Wendy saw the true nature of jack and she locks him in a food storage room by hitting him in head. Then she went to her room with Danny. There Danny's psychic character entered and warned her by keep saying "REDRUM" which means in backwards it was "MURDER" Wendy understands it . Jack broke the door by axe Danny was escaped through the window. While jack opening the door Wendy can stab his hand to the other side but handled it very lightly. The Jack killed Dick Halloran who came to rescue them by knowing these paranormal activities. Then Danny ran to the hedge maze to distract jack. Then Danny faked his footsteps in those snow and made jack confused in that snow .Danny escaped from that hedge maze. Wendy and Danny escaped in the vehicle that Dick brings here to rescue them. Then jack was dead by heavy snowfall and Jack's loop was ended. In the end of the movie they shown a picture, in that picture jack was there in the middle this shows that jack was in Loop.

Kubrick was died in heart attack in 2001. But many people says that he was killed for over exposing the Government.

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