Study Guide for Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Women and Economics Course Hero Study

Course Overview

This course provides an in-depth analysis of Charlotte Perkins Gilman's seminal work, "Women and Economics." Published in 1898, this groundbreaking book challenged prevailing notions of gender roles and the economic dependence of women.

Through a series of thought-provoking chapters, Gilman argues for the economic and social equality of women. She examines the impact of domestic labor on women's lives, the need for women's access to education and employment, and the importance of women's financial independence.

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This course will guide you through the key concepts and arguments presented in "Women and Economics." You will gain a deeper understanding of Gilman's feminist thought, its historical context, and its relevance to contemporary issues of gender and equality.

Learning Objectives

- Analyze the main arguments and themes of Charlotte Perkins Gilman's "Women and Economics."
- Understand the historical and social context in which "Women and Economics" was written.
- Examine the impact of domestic labor on women's lives and economic status.
- Explore the role of education and employment in women's empowerment.
- Discuss the importance of women's financial independence and economic security.

Course Content

- Module 1: to Charlotte Perkins Gilman and "Women and Economics"
 - Gilman's life and work
 - The historical and social context of "Women and Economics"
 - An overview of the book's main arguments and themes
- Module 2: The Economic Dependence of Women
 - The unpaid labor of domestic work
 - The economic consequences of women's exclusion from the workforce
 - The impact of marriage and motherhood on women's economic status
- Module 3: The Importance of Education and Employment for Women
 - The need for women's access to education
 - The benefits of women's employment
 - The challenges and obstacles to women's economic independence
- Module 4: Women's Financial Independence and Economic Security
 - The importance of women's financial independence
 - Strategies for women to achieve financial security
 - The role of government and society in supporting women's economic equality
- Module 5: The Legacy of "Women and Economics"
 - The impact of "Women and Economics" on feminist thought and activism
 - The relevance of Gilman's ideas to contemporary issues of gender and equality
 - Gilman's vision for a more just and equitable society

Assessment

Your progress in this course will be assessed through a variety of methods, including:

 Discussion board participation: You will be required to participate in weekly discussion board forums, where you will engage with your classmates and the instructor in discussions about the course material.

- Quizzes: You will complete a series of quizzes throughout the course to assess your understanding of the key concepts.
- Essays: You will write two essays, one in the middle of the course and one at the end of the course. The essays will give you an opportunity to demonstrate your knowledge of the course material and your ability to analyze and synthesize information.

Grading

Your final grade for this course will be based on the following:

- Discussion board participation: 20%
- Quizzes: 30%
- Essays: 50%

This course is an excellent opportunity to learn about the groundbreaking work of Charlotte Perkins Gilman and to engage with key issues related to gender and equality.

By the end of this course, you will have a deeper understanding of Gilman's feminist thought, its historical context, and its relevance to contemporary debates about gender and economics.

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