

ENG-L 202: Literary Interpretation**Instructor: Dr. Paul Cook****Close Reading Short Stories: Gilman's "The Yellow Wallpaper" (1892)**

Use the worksheet to jot down notes on how the narrator discusses the world around her. Pay close attention to her descriptions, noting how her tone and perception of her surroundings and situation shift throughout the story. Use the far-right column to offer thoughts and preliminary interpretations about the possible significance of the items you note.

<i>How does the narrator describe</i>	<i>Examples/descriptions from "The Yellow Wallpaper"</i>	<i>How might we interpret this description? (Possible connotations, symbolism, anomalies, etc.)</i>
Her room?		
The wall-paper?		
Her illness?		
Her husband?		
Her other caretakers and/or family?		
Herself?		
Her journal?		

Anything else you want to note?		