

# The Focus of Maya Angelou's Work is the Exploration of Racism

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**Abstract:** *Maya Angelou's poetry portrays racism, which is a significant issue in this study. The goal of this study is to see how Maya Angelou's poetry represents racism. This study focuses on Maya Angelou's poetry, particularly those concerning racism. This study makes use of two types of data: primary and secondary data. Secondary data sources include Maya Angelou's biography, websites about her on the internet, and other resources that aid in the analysis. The researcher finds that Maya Angelou's poetry expressed racism based on the poem text and expression in the poem, using a sociological method. Segregation, slavery, Hegemony, discrimination, prejudice, stereotypes and class conflict are all mentioned in Maya Angelou's poetry.*

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