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→ ENGLISH ESSAY →

"One is not born a woman but becomes one" Simone De Beauvoir

Outline:

Thesis Statement:

Nobody is born with gender-based attributes. This is our culture what made them gender-specific specially ^{in case of} for women.

(1) Introduction:

(2) "Woman is purely a product of culture"

(2.1) Sex is a biological term while gender is cultural term.

(a) Misunderstood the terms of sex and gender by culture.

(2.2) Discrimination faced by woman at the time of birth.

(a) Mother is at the bed of death at ^{childbirth-time} and family is craving for having a son.

(b) Prioritizing son over daughter and celebrating son's birth, while showing disappointment if daughter is born.

(2.3) Choosing ^{different} colors for baby boys and girls.

Toys are gender-oriented.

(2.4) Kids are grown up by teaching them different moral values which are gender-based.

(a) Boys cannot cry.

(b) Girls cannot speak or laugh loudly.

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(2.5) Different tasks assigned to male and female.

(a) Males cannot go to the kitchen.

(b) Women cannot buy groceries.

(2.6) Societal level is gender-based.

(a) Different jobs for man and woman.

(b) Discrimination in payscale at workplaces.

(c) Harassment of men towards women.

(2.7) Women in marriages

(a) Wives have to stabilize the marriage.

(b) ~~the~~ Normalizing the violence of husbands with their wives.

(c) Obeying the husband even if he is wrong.

(2.8) Women at economic level:

(a) The term economics is joined with men.

(b) Economics = power, ^{one of the} reason for women suffrage.

(c) A myth that women do not need separate bank accounts.

(2.9) Women at political level

(a) Quota of women in politics is very less as compared to women's population.

(b) Very few examples of women as a political leader.

(c) Less acceptance for women as a prime minister or president and they got a symbolic role in system.

(2.10) History is man-oriented

(a) It's very rare to find woman as a heroine in history.

(b) Work of Einstein was actually the work of his wife but credit is given

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to a man.

(2.11) Women at ^{inter} national level

(a) Issues of women exists on international level

(b) Feminist movements around the world.

(2.12) Women empowerment is a key to proper.

(a) Equality between men and women should be established.

(b) Women should not be treated as aliens rather they should co-exist like a normal human.

(3) Conclusion

(The Essay)

(1) Introduction:

~~Man~~ and Allah Almighty has created human beings equal.

"إِنَّ خَلْقَ الْإِنْسَانِ فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ"

"Indeed, We have made the human as a best creation"

So, we can say that Allah Almighty has not made the woman separately. If we take the biological view, all the major organs are similar. But how we treat the specific gender makes them different. It is not the sex at birth that makes woman a different person. It is only the culture and society. If we give a ^{look} ~~think~~ to the patterns that are followed in society we can see the discrimination at different levels.

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From the birth of a baby girl, till of the death of old lady, the behaviours make them a woman. People don't feel over-excited on the birth of a girl. As a kid, she don't the equal chance of playing and dressing. As a young girl, she observes social control which makes her feel like a prisoner. While growing up as a woman she has to suffer alot at every level. Therefore, nobody is born with gender-based attributes, this is our culture what make them gender-specific, specially in case of women.

(2) Women is purely a product of culture.

(2.1) Sex is a biological term and there are different sex in society. Sex is not a term, on the basis of which we divide human beings. Sex makes the people different in variety but it do not take their rights. People mis-understood the term sex with gender. Gender is purely a product of culture. Culture ^{uses} ~~makes~~ the term sex for their benefit and treats the people accordingly. ~~Both~~ ^{All the} sex have been created with same strengths and weaknesses. Everyone has the ability to do the tasks at best level. Intelligence

is not the heir of man, only. Women can do extra-ordinary jobs in their tasks. It is the society that mixes the word sex with gender and use it as a tool of social control. Our society is a patriarchal society and it cannot promote the freedom of a woman. ~~People~~ Society has lessened the woman as objects. This is only due to giving the inferior role to them. These all patterns makes the people gender-oriented. And the roles that are owed to different sex just for ease results in a gender-based society.

(2.2)

If we analyze the role of society or culture we can see that it starts from the very time of birth of a kid. Before birth the mother suffers alot. While on the delivery bed, she is more or less facing the death. But no one really cares about that woman ^{but} they are in confusion of sex of newborn. Everyone wants and pray that son should be born, ignoring the health of that woman. Once newborn is announced, discrimination starts over there. Despite treating as a normal human being, kid is treated on the basis of sex. If there is baby boy a great celebration is started. Sweets are distributed. People call the parents and congratulates them as they win a lucky draw and

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got the heir of family. On the other hand if the infant is baby girl, there seems like a scene of mourning. Everyone is disappointed as the girl is not the sign of goodness. In some cultures, even fathers are not willing to take the responsibility of girls. People wish that what if they get a baby boy. No celebration is seen usually. People are playing for their fate of baby girl and have the fear of their pride deep inside. Therefore, a baby when treated differently grows up different. So, the resultant person will emerge as a male or female more than a human being.

(a.3) Society plays an important role in making the personalities gender-based. Family is the basic organ of society, while growing up a kid, family makes a discrimination intentionally or unintentionally. In this patriarchal society every thing is gendered. Colours are gendered, while choosing the dress for babies people make sure that boys and girls wear different colours. For baby girls, pink, red, yellow are preferred, while for baby boys, grey, black, blue are preferred. If a kid is wearing pink colour, if one is criticized that ~~that~~ you are making him girl. While buying toys

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For kids, people make sure that girls should not play with the boys' toys. Football, Cars, Boxing pads, cycles are linked ^{with} ~~towards~~ boys. While for girls, dolls and clay pots or plastic pots are used. Girls are advised to not play the boys' games. They are not allowed to play outdoor games, or in streets. Boys are advised to play cricket, go for swimming and other outdoor games. Therefore, these are the clear indications that this child when grow up will transform himself into a gender-orientated personality, considering it as a religious truth. (2.5)

(2.4) In this patriarchal society, moral values and ethics are not for human beings but they are also specified with boys and girls. Society presents myth as reality and people follow them religiously. Boys have been criticized if they cry. They are taught to hide their feelings. They are taught to be strong. Crying is portrayed as a sign of weakness, which is not suitable for men. Men are the sign of bravery, while women are considered to be fragile. Different moral and ethical values are taught to the girls like they should not speak in a loud or sharp tone. They should be soft spoken. Women cannot laugh loudly.

If a girl is screaming or laughing loudly, it is a question upon her character. Character is also linked with women only. Male's character is usually not taken seriously. It is normalized for the men to have affairs but for women it is a disgust. Many other taboos like impurity in menstrual cycle are taking a part in making the character of women weak. ^{Therefore,} These type of myths and taboos are purely responsible for the fragile woman not the birth of creator.

(2.5)

From the early societies till today, men and women are assigned different tasks. In hunter and gatherer society "Man as a hunter, women as a gatherer" Shely Audit

But as she explains this distribution was not gender based, it was to distribute the work for ease. Later on, people took it as a sign of gender-based tasks. From then, men use to go for earning and women have to take the responsibility of house. Some common myths are developed with time like women are bound to cook and has to do home chores. Men cannot go to the kitchen. If anyone will help the woman, they are considered to be weak or feminists. Women are excluded

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to not go out for groceries. Anything they get from males they should be grateful for that. Other tasks like taking someone to hospital or solving the disputes are also assigned to men. While caring for the elders and kids is considered to be the responsibility of woman. As these tasks are the image of patriarchy so, women are not born women but they have to be like that in order to make people happy. So, this phenomena is purely a result of social control.