



ARCHETYPAL SYMBOLS AND MOTIFS IN PEARL S BUCK'S *THE GOOD EARTH*

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ABSTRACT

American author Pearl S Buck is the first woman who was awarded both the Nobel Prize and Pulitzer prizes for literature. As a child and woman living in two cultures she has developed a keen understanding of different cultures and has gained respect for the human dignity of the people. Pearl S Buck (1892-1973) was born in Hillsborough west Virginia. She grew up in China, where her parents were missionaries, but was educated in Randolph - Macon Woman's college. After her graduation she returned to china and lived there until 1934 with exception of a year spent at Cornell University, where she took MA in 1926. Pearl Buck began to write in twenties: Her first novel *East Wind West Wind* appeared in 1930 followed by *The Good Earth* which remained in American list of best sellers for many years and earned her several awards.

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