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The Effects of Cultural and Poetic Language on Appreciating Poetry

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Abstract:

This paper aims at providing new interpretation of the effects of culture and poetic language on appreciating English poetry at tertiary education on the part of students of English language. A descriptive analytical research method was followed and a questionnaire was used to collect the data pertaining to teachers of English language at public run universities in Khartoum city. After analysing the data statistically using the SPSS, the researcher found out that appreciating poetry depends on absorbing the target language as it represents a genuine part of the English poetic context in a poem. Moreover, learners of English should be exposed to the English culture through authentic and non-authentic materials at the initial stages of learning English.

Keywords: Cultural, poetic language, literary competence.