

Gilman's "The Yellow Wall-paper" Active Reading Chart

Directions: Use the worksheet to take notes on how the narrator discusses the world around her. Pay close attention to her description, noting her tone and perception of her surroundings and situation change during the story. Use the Reader Interpretation column to offer thoughts about the possible significance of the items you note.

| How does the author describe: | Examples/Descriptions from the story | Reader Interpretation (Possible symbolic meanings, oddities in descriptions, etc.) |
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| Her room? | | |
| The wall-paper? | | |
| Her illness? | | |
| Her Husband? | | |
| Her other caretakers and or family? | | |
| Herself? | | |
| Her journal? | | |
| Other notes or observations: | | |

