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A Study Guide for David Henry Hwang's "M. Butterfly" - Gale, Cengage Learning 2016
A Study Guide for David Henry Hwang's "M. Butterfly," excerpted from Gale's acclaimed Drama For Students. This concise study guide includes plot summary; character analysis; author biography; study questions; historical context; suggestions for further reading; and much more. For any literature project, trust Drama For Students for all of your research needs.

M. Butterfly - David

Henry Hwang 2017-11-28
Winner of the Tony Award for Best Play, nominated for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, and soon to be back on Broadway in a revival directed by the Lion King's Julie Taymor, starring Clive Owen "A brilliant play of ideas... a visionary work that bridges the history and culture of two worlds."-Frank Rich, New York Times Based on a true story that stunned the world, and inspired by Giacomo Puccini's opera Madama Butterfly, M. Butterfly was an immediate sensation when it

premiered in 1988. It opens in the cramped prison cell where diplomat Rene Gallimard is being held captive by the French government—and by his own illusions. He recalls a time when Song Liling, the beautiful Chinese diva, touched him with a love as vivid, as seductive—and as elusive—as a butterfly. How could he have known that his true love was, in fact, a spy for the Chinese government—and a man disguised as a woman? The diplomat relives the twenty-year affair from the temptation to the seduction, from its consummation to the scandal that ultimately consumed them both. *M. Butterfly* is one of the most compelling, explosive, and slyly humorous dramas ever to light the Broadway stage, a work of unrivaled brilliance, illuminating the conflict between men and women, the differences between East and West, racial stereotypes—and the shadows we cast

around our most cherished illusions. The original cast included John Lithgow as Gallimard and BD Wong as Song Liling. During the show's 777-performance run, David Dukes, Anthony Hopkins, Tony Randall, and John Rubinstein were also cast as Gallimard. Hwang adapted the play for a 1993 film directed by David Cronenberg, starring Jeremy Irons and John Lone. TEXT OF THE ORIGINAL BROADWAY PRODUCTION
LIAISON - Joyce Wadler
2011-08-24
"Tragic, operatic, touching, and hilarious . . . *Liaison* is about romantic love in its purest, craziest form—proof anew that the greatest erogenous zone is the mind."—Shana Alexander
The true story that inspired David Hwang's play "*M. Butterfly*", about a French diplomat, Bernard Boursicot, posted to Peking, who fell in love with a seductive opera singer, named Shi Pei Pu, apparently unaware that Pei Pu was a man.

Their liaison "produced" a son, and led them into espionage and finally to gaol in France. Joyce Wadler spent four years researching the story, and finally persuaded Boursicot to break his silence and explain his side of the story. NOTE: This edition does not include photos.

Prentice Hall Library - David Henry Hwang

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The Diving Bell and the Butterfly - Jean-Dominique Bauby
2008-03-06

A celebration of the liberating power of consciousness—a triumphant book that lets us witness an indomitable spirit and share in the pure joy of its own survival. In 1995, Jean-Dominique Bauby was the editor-in-chief of French Elle, the father of two young children, a 44-year-old man known and loved for his wit, his style, and his impassioned approach to life. By the end of the year he was also the victim of a rare kind of stroke to the brainstem. After 20 days in a coma, Bauby awoke into a body which had all but stopped working: only his left eye functioned, allowing him to see and, by blinking it, to make clear that his mind was unimpaired. Almost miraculously, he was soon able to express himself in the richest detail: dictating a word at a time, blinking to select each letter as the alphabet was recited to him slowly, over and over again. In the same way, he was able eventually to compose

this extraordinary book. By turns wistful, mischievous, angry, and witty, Bauby bears witness to his determination to live as fully in his mind as he had been able to do in his body. He explains the joy, and deep sadness, of seeing his children and of hearing his aged father's voice on the phone. In magical sequences, he imagines traveling to other places and times and of lying next to the woman he loves. Fed only intravenously, he imagines preparing and tasting the full flavor of delectable dishes. Again and again he returns to an "inexhaustible reservoir of sensations," keeping in touch with himself and the life around him. Jean-Dominique Bauby died two days after the French publication of *The Diving Bell and the Butterfly*. This book is a lasting testament to his life.

**Butterfly Alphabet
Coloring Book** - Carol
Schmidt 2007-02-01
This soaring collection

presents a butterfly for every letter of the alphabet - plus one for each of the four seasons. Finely detailed drawings include the Buckeye, Emperor, Indra, Nokomis, Red Rim, Two-tailed Tiger, the extinct Xerces Blue, and 23 other exquisite breeds. Each creature appears with its corresponding letter, amid beautiful blossoms with the same initial.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar - Eric Carle
2016-11-22

The all-time classic picture book, from generation to generation, sold somewhere in the world every 30 seconds! Have you shared it with a child or grandchild in your life? For the first time, Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* is now available in e-book format, perfect for storytime anywhere. As an added bonus, it includes read-aloud audio of Eric Carle reading his classic story. This fine audio production pairs perfectly with the

classic story, and it makes for a fantastic new way to encounter this famous, famished caterpillar.

The Sound of a Voice - David Henry Hwang 1984

THE STORY: The scene is an isolated house in the woods where a beautiful young woman lives alone. When a young samurai appears she offers him food and shelter, and when he decides to stay on they eventually become lovers. But while fascinated by his benefactress, the samurai cannot shake a superstitious mistrust of her; for all her delicacy and beauty she is also able to perform wonders of cookery, horticulture and even the martial arts (much to his wounded pride). In the end it develops that the woman is suspected of being a witch and the samurai has come to seek glory by killing her. This he ultimately cannot, or will not, do, but neither can he accept her superiority, and so he leaves—a fateful decision which, as it

turns out, is made at terrible cost to both of them.

"Ah, But Underneath" - Frank Kensaku Saragosa 1991

The Family Butterfly Book - Rick Mikula 2000

A guide to creating habitats suitable for butterflies offers advice on growing host and nectar plants, building nets and cages, and caring for and feeding butterflies, and provides identification clues for various species.

The Ethnic Canon - David Palumbo-Liu 1995

The Victrola Book of the Opera - Samuel Holland Rous 1919

Hello, Little One: A Monarch Butterfly Story - Zeena Pliska 2020-05-12

Caterpillar crawls from leaf to leaf, eating and waiting, all alone in a big, green world. Then Orange appears—Orange floats, and flits, and flies, graceful and beautiful. In this sweet, moving story of

intergenerational friendship, a small caterpillar is befriended by a glorious monarch butterfly, and together they learn to see the world through each other's eyes.

Butterfly Yellow - Thanhà Lai 2019-09-03
Winner of the Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction! Perfect for fans of Elizabeth Acevedo, Ibi Zoboi, and Erika L. Sánchez, this gorgeously written and deeply moving novel is the YA debut from the award-winning author of *Inside Out & Back Again*. 4 starred reviews! In the final days of the Việt Nam War, Hằng takes her little brother, Linh, to the airport, determined to find a way to safety in America. In a split second, Linh is ripped from her arms—and Hằng is left behind in the war-torn country. Six years later, Hằng has made the brutal journey from Việt Nam and is now in Texas as a refugee. She doesn't know how she will find the little brother who was taken

from her until she meets LeeRoy, a city boy with big rodeo dreams, who decides to help her. Hằng is overjoyed when she reunites with Linh. But when she realizes he doesn't remember her, their family, or Việt Nam, her heart is crushed. Though the distance between them feels greater than ever, Hằng has come so far that she will do anything to bridge the gap.

Mounting the Butterfly - Robert Andrew Strickland 1998

Butterfly Stitches - Catherine Redford 2020-09-25
Let your creativity take flight with a rainbow of embroidered butterflies! Internationally recognized teacher Catherine Redford shares her passion for embroidery and embellished wool appliqué. Embroidery, appliqué, or a combination of both? The choice is yours, as you customize 12 designs for 36 unique looks! With delicate details, these

winged beauties will inspire you to start your next sampler quilt, pillow, or small project. With an overview of materials, basic stitches, and a robust gallery of ideas, you'll be ready to unwind and enjoy the soothing practice of hand stitching!

Madama Butterfly in Full Score - Giacomo Puccini
1990-01-01

Widely admired for its melodic richness and glorious orchestral scoring, Madama Butterfly ranks as one of the greatest favorites of the operatic repertoire. It is reprinted here complete and unabridged from the authoritative G. Ricordi edition.

The Butterfly Defect - Ian Goldin 2015-10-20
How to better manage systemic risks—from cyber attacks and pandemics to financial crises and climate change—in a globalized world The Butterfly Defect addresses the widening gap between the new systemic risks generated by

globalization and their effective management. It shows how the dynamics of turbo-charged globalization has the potential and power to destabilize our societies. Drawing on the latest insights from a wide variety of disciplines, Ian Goldin and Mike Mariathan provide practical guidance for how governments, businesses, and individuals can better manage globalization and risk. Goldin and Mariathan demonstrate that systemic risk issues are now endemic everywhere—in supply chains, pandemics, infrastructure, ecology and climate change, economics, and politics. Unless we address these concerns, they will lead to greater protectionism, xenophobia, nationalism, and, inevitably, deglobalization, rising inequality, conflict, and slower growth. The Butterfly Defect shows that mitigating uncertainty and risk in an interconnected world

is an essential task for our future.

David Henry Hwang's play "M. Butterfly" - A Fantasy of the Western Male - Babette Treptow
2012-01-26

Seminar paper from the year 2011 in the subject American Studies - Literature, grade: 1,7, Humboldt-University of Berlin (Institut für Anglistik und Amerikanistik), course: Gender, Sexuality, Race and Class in Contemporary American Drama, language: English, abstract: 1
Introduction Modern-day drama is often considered to be an effective means of expressing criticism. Numerous contemporary playwrights experiment freely with dramatic conventions, and most works overtly demonstrate to be a piece of performance, so that the audience is alerted not to view reality but a play. Thus, the boundaries between authenticity (the 'natural') and role playing (the 'artificial') are

blurred "in order to address the construction of social and political identity." (Saddik 2007: 13). David Henry Hwang's play M. Butterfly (1988) can be regarded as one representative of that type of contemporary dramatic pieces. It demonstrates the construction of identity around the politics of gender, sexuality, power and race. In the course of the drama, the (biological male) character Song Liling constructs a female, Oriental fantasy for the French diplomat Rene Gallimard. By performing her race and gender according to Gallimard's ideas about the Oriental, Song is able to disguise her male sex. For almost two decades, the French diplomat is not aware of the fact that his partner is not a woman but a man. (cf. Hwang 1988: 94ff.). The drama M. Butterfly - the first Asian American play to be produced on Broadway - has been introduced in the course of last

summer semester's seminar Gender, Sexuality, Race and Class in Contemporary American Drama. It aroused my interest not only due to its witty and provocative style, but also because of the drama's fascinating and powerful but rather bizarre story about the relationship of a Western man and a perceived Chinese woman. I could not understand how Gallimard neither was nor, in the course of all their years together, became aware of his partner's true sex. Therefore, the term paper will have a closer look at Song's and Rene's affair, in order to figure out how the Chinese opera star is able to create a masquerade she can preserve for so many years. In this sense, the paper will deal with the following questions: How can Song deceive Gallimard for almost twenty years? How can she hide her true sex and hence begin an affair with the diplomat? What role do

both protagonists' racial backgrounds play with regard to this?

What fascinates Gallimard about Song in the first place? And in this sense: What effect does Song's Oriental identity have on Gallimard's perception?

Sacred Theatre - Ralph Yarrow 2007

Plays examined include: Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are dead, M. Butterfly.

M. Butterfly - David Henry Hwang 1992

I'm a Different

Butterfly - Sherri O. 2019

I'm a Different Butterfly focuses on how Lulu Noire, a black butterfly, is different from other butterflies and through friendship she learns everyone has something about themselves they don't like. But, that's okay because nature made them that way.

M. Butterfly - David Henry Hwang 1988

THE STORY: Bored with his routine posting in Beijing, and awkward with women, Rene

Gallimard, a French diplomat, is easy prey for the subtle, delicate charms of Song Liling, a Chinese opera star who personifies Gallimard's fantasy vision of submissive, ex *Present at the Creation, Leaping in the Dark, and Going Against the Grain* - Stuart Ostrow 2006 (Applause Books). "The best way I know to resuscitate the theatre is to produce dangerous new works." Stuart Ostrow. Producer Stuart Ostrow's manifesto of how intelligent life might be restored to the theatre is also a unique personal memoir of the producer-creator relationship and an evaluation of the essentials that can make a show fly, or remain earthbound. As a solo producer, Ostrow's many productions include *M. Butterfly*, which won the Tony Award for Best Play; *Pippin*; and *1776*, which received both the New York and London Drama Critics Awards as well as the Tony Award for Best Musical. He produced the original

Broadway production of the critically acclaimed *La Bete*, which won the Olivier Award in London for Best Comedy. Ostrow was brought in to fix the original production of *Chicago*, collaborated with Anthony Hopkins on a London production of *M. Butterfly*, that was not meant to be, and even had his own play, *Stages*, directed on Broadway by the avant-garde theatrical pioneer Richard Foreman. He riffs about the heroes and heels he's met along the way and that great cast includes Frank Loesser, Meredith Willson, Mel Brooks, Mike Nichols, Bob Fosse, David Geffen, Andrew Lloyd Webber, David Henry Hwang, John Kander, Fred Ebb, and many more.

In the Time of the Butterflies - Julia Alvarez 2010-01-12
It is November 25, 1960, and three beautiful sisters have been found near their wrecked Jeep at the bottom of a 150-foot cliff on the north coast of the Dominican

Republic. The official state newspaper reports their deaths as accidental. It does not mention that a fourth sister lives. Nor does it explain that the sisters were among the leading opponents of Gen. Rafael Leonidas Trujillo's dictatorship. It doesn't have to. Everybody knows of Las Mariposas—"The Butterflies." In this extraordinary novel, the voices of all four sisters—Minerva, Patria, María Teresa, and the survivor, Dedé—speak across the decades to tell their own stories, from hair ribbons and secret crushes to gunrunning and prison torture, and to describe the everyday horrors of life under Trujillo's rule. Through the art and magic of Julia Alvarez's imagination, the martyred Butterflies live again in this novel of courage and love, and the human cost of political oppression. *Monarch Butterfly* - David M. Schwartz 1999
Learn about the life cycle of the monarch

butterfly.

Puccini's Madama Butterfly - Giacomo Puccini 1983

Stokes Butterfly Book - Donald Stokes 1991-10-17
Copiously illustrated with maps, line drawings, and full-color photographs, this large format paperback book contains the essential information that backyard nature enthusiasts want and need -- to attract butterflies to their yards.

Madam Butterfly - Giacomo Puccini 1906

Yellow Face (TCG Edition) - David Henry Hwang 2009-11-01
"A thesis of a play, unafraid of complexities and contradictions, pepped up with a light dramatic fizz. It asks whether race is skin-deep, actable or even fakeable, and it does so with huge wit and brio."
-TimeOut London "A pungent play of ideas with a big heart. Yellow Face brings to the national discussion about race a sense of

humor a mile wide, an even-handed treatment and a hopeful, healing vision of a world that could be" -Variety "It's about our country, about public image, about face," says David Henry Hwang about his latest work, a mock documentary that puts Hwang himself center stage. An exploration of Asian identity and the ever-changing definition of what it is to be an American, Yellow Face "is by turns acidly funny, insightful and provocative" (Washington Post). The play begins with the 1990s controversy over color-blind casting for Miss Saigon before it spins into a comic fantasy, in which the character DHH pens a play in protest and then unwittingly casts a white actor as the Asian lead. Yellow Face also explores the real-life investigation of Hwang's father, the first Asian American to own a federally chartered bank, and the espionage charges against physicist Wen Ho Lee. Adroitly combining

the light touch of comedy with weighty political and emotional issues, Hwang creates a "lively and provocative cultural self-portrait [that] lets nobody off the hook" (The New York Times). David Henry Hwang is the author of the Tony Award-winning M. Butterfly, Yellow Face (OBIE Award, 2008 Pulitzer Prize finalist), Golden Child (1997 OBIE Award), FOB (1981 OBIE Award), Family Devotions (Drama Desk nomination), and the books for musicals Aida (co-author), Flower Drum Song (2002 Broadway revival), and Tarzan, among other works. David Henry Hwang graduated from Stanford University, attended the Yale School of Drama, and holds honorary degrees from Columbia College in Chicago and The American Conservatory Theatre. He lives in New York City with his wife, actress Kathryn Layng, and their children, Noah David and Eva Veanne. Ten Magic Butterflies - Danica McKellar

2019-02-12

Learn at home with help from The Wonder Years/Hallmark actress, math whiz, and New York Times bestselling author Danica McKellar using her acclaimed McKellar Math books! Fairies, butterflies, and magic help to make this math-focused board book positively enchanting! Join ten flower friends for a night of excitement that mixes a little math with a lot of magic. As each flower turns into a butterfly, children will discover different ways to group numbers to create ten, an essential building block of math, all while watching each flower's dream come true. (And keep an eye out for the adorable caterpillar who wishes he could fly, too!) In this, the second book in the McKellar Math line, Danica McKellar once again sneaks in secret addition and subtraction concepts to help make your child smarter and uses her proven math success to show children that loving numbers is

as easy as a wave of a wand and a BING BANG BOO! "[Danica McKellar's] bringing her love of numbers to children everywhere." -- Brightly on Goodnight, Numbers "Danica McKellar is now on a mission to make math fun for even the youngest of kids." -- L.A. Parent Magazine Don't Miss Even More Math Fun in Bathtime Mathtime!

The Stuff of Dreams - Leah Hager Cohen 2001
At the age of ten, Leah Hager Cohen entered a world of make-believe that would captivate her for years. Participating in a traveling theater company's production of *Wolfenstein*, she was fascinated by the pageantry of the play and the camaraderie she found within the acting troupe, and the experience sparked a lifelong love of community theater. Nearly twenty years later, Cohen found her way to a small community theater in Arlington, Massachusetts, one of many thousands like it in America, and set out

to chronicle what would be an extraordinary year. Arlington Friends of Drama had just celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary, was embroiled in disputes over structural changes proposed to help it adapt to changing times, and was about to hold auditions for its most controversial play to date, *M. Butterfly*. As Cohen writes, "This time around, I had come to community theater not in order to insinuate myself into its culture but to try to understand what the culture comprised, and to answer what it is about amateur theater that makes people not just desire but need it." With the same graceful prose and startling insight that garnered such extraordinary reviews for her previous books, *Train Go Sorry* and *Glass, Paper, Beans*, Cohen has created a fascinating and poignant portrait of community theater in America—past, present, and future. ¥

The American Association of Community Theatres,

founded in 1986, estimates that there are ten thousand community theaters nationwide, with more than a million active members. ¥

Arlington Friends of Drama is one of the ten oldest continually operating community theaters in the country.

The Dance and the Railroad ; And, Family Devotions - David Henry Hwang 1983

THE STORIES: THE DANCE AND THE RAILROAD. While his fellow workers are striking for higher pay, Lone, once an actor in China, exercises and practices alone on a mountaintop the ritual gestures used in Chinese opera. Ma, a slightly younger man, who w

A Vision of the Orient - J. L. Wisenthal
2006-01-01

Best known as the story from the 1904 Puccini opera, the compelling modern myth of *Madame Butterfly* has been read, watched, and re-interpreted for many years. This volume examines the *Madame Butterfly* narrative in a variety of cultural

contexts - literary, musical, theatrical, cinematic, historical, and political.

M. Butterfly - David Henry Hwang 1993-10-01
David Henry Hwang's beautiful, heartrending play featuring an afterword by the author - winner of a 1988 Tony Award for Best Play and nominated for the 1989 Pulitzer Prize Based on a true story that stunned the world, M. Butterfly opens in the cramped prison cell where diplomat Rene Gallimard is being held captive by the French government—and by his own illusions. In the darkness of his cell he recalls a time when desire seemed to give him wings. A time when Song Liling, the beautiful Chinese diva, touched him with a love as vivid, as seductive—and as elusive—as a butterfly. How could he have known, then, that his ideal woman was, in fact, a spy for the Chinese government—and a man disguised as a woman? In a series of flashbacks,

the diplomat relives the twenty-year affair from the temptation to the seduction, from its consummation to the scandal that ultimately consumed them both. But in the end, there remains only one truth: Whether or not Gallimard's passion was a flight of fancy, it sparked the most vigorous emotions of his life. Only in real life could love become so unreal. And only in such a dramatic tour de force do we learn how a fantasy can become a man's mistress—as well as his jailer. M. Butterfly is one of the most compelling, explosive, and slyly humorous dramas ever to light the Broadway stage, a work of unrivaled brilliance, illuminating the conflict between men and women, the differences between East and West, racial stereotypes—and the shadows we cast around our most cherished illusions. M. Butterfly remains one of the most influential romantic plays of

contemporary literature, and in 1993 was made into a film by David Cronenberg starring Jeremy Irons and John Lone.

Black Butterfly - Robert M. Drake 2016-10-11

This book is a collection of memories and experiences Drake lived after the death of one of his brothers. He promised he would write him a few words after he failed to complete the task while his brother was alive. This book is everything... this book is for all who are breathing and for all who are no longer here. This book is for you.

The Little Butterfly That Could (A Very Impatient Caterpillar Book) - Ross Burach
2021-04-06

WHAT IF I CAN'T? "Will elicit plenty of giggles." -- Kirkus Reviews Which way to the flowers? That way. 200 miles. How am I supposed to travel that far?! You fly. Can I take a plane? No. Then I'll never make it! This comical companion to Ross Burach's *The Very*

Impatient Caterpillar pays loving homage to every child's struggle to persist through challenges while also delivering a lighthearted lesson on butterfly migration.

Remember, if at first you don't succeed, fly, fly again!

The Theater of War - Bryan Doerries
2016-08-23

For years theater director Bryan Doerries has been producing ancient Greek tragedies for a wide range of at-risk people in society. His is the personal and deeply passionate story of a life devoted to reclaiming the timeless power of an ancient artistic tradition to comfort the afflicted. Doerries leads an innovative public health project—Theater of War—that produces ancient dramas for current and returned soldiers, people in recovery from alcohol and substance abuse, tornado and hurricane survivors, and more. Tracing a path that links the personal to

the artistic to the social and back again, Doerries shows us how suffering and healing are part of a timeless process in which dialogue and empathy are inextricably linked. The originality and generosity of Doerries's work is startling, and The Theater of War—wholly unsentimental, but intensely felt and emotionally engaging—is a humane, knowledgeable, and accessible book that will both inspire and enlighten.

Re-Appropriating

Identity - Wai-Mun Chan
2017-01-26

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