

Female representation in the American series

Fiction and Reality: series have been broadcasted ever since the beginning of television. And it is an easy way to convey powerful representations, yet, as far as women are concerned, biased because of the stereotype of housewife representation.

	How has the female representation evolved in the US series?
At the end of the Unit, I will be able to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - define what a housewife is - see how this fantasy has stuck to women through the years - talk about how women have been and are depicted
What vocabulary will I need ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - housewife - physical description
What grammatical structure will I need ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - past - comparison - -ING structure
What documents will be used ?	<p>1- Ideal Housewives : a definition 1a- 50ies kitchen ads 1b- The Good Wife's Guide, 1955</p> <p>2- Depicting a witchy Housewife : <i>Bewitched</i>, 1964 2a- Witch representation over the years 2B- <i>Betwitched</i>, opening credit 2b- Endora and her son-in-law</p> <p>3- Depicting a modern image of housewives, 2004: 3a-opening credit+ original paintings : "Adam and Eve" - Lucas Cranach the Elder, The Tomb Paintings of Queen Nefertari ; "The Arnolfini Portrait" - Jan Van Eyck, 1434 ; "American Gothic" - Grant Wood, 1930 ; "Pin Up Girl" - Gil Elvgren ; "Am I Proud!" - Dick Williams, 1946 ; "Campbell's Soup Cans" - Andy Warhol, 1964 ; "Romantic Couple" & "Couple Arguing" - Robert Dale 1955 ; 3b- Comparing The Scavo and the Van De Kamp 3c- Diner at the Van De Kamp 3d- Diner at the Scavo's</p> <p>4- Depicting women Attorney 4a- <i>Ally Mc Beal</i>, `1997 4b- <i>How to Get Away with Murder</i>, 2014</p> <p>5- Depicting the modern Belles of the South and doctor Hart 5a- Southern Belle : a definition, historyengine.richmond.edu 5b- <i>Gone with the wind</i> script : the opening scene (+ vidéo) 5c- <i>Gone with the wind</i> script : Bonnet scene (+ vidéo) 5b- <i>Hart of Dixie</i>, 2011</p> <p>6- Depicting a new female representations?</p>

	<p>6a-6b from modern housewife to political figure: Claire Underwood, <i>House of cards</i> (vidéo 1 Francis and Claire et vidéo 2 Hail to the Chief House of Cards Tribute)</p> <p>6c- independent woman, <i>The Queen's Gambit</i></p> <p>7- Depicting Real life issues?</p> <p>7a- 7b - Real life issues: The Crown trailer + The Guardian Patrick Greenfield, Tue 13 Mar 2018</p>
What will I learn about ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the definition of housewife - how some stereotypes last in modern series, - ... and in real life.
Final Task	You will introduce us to a new serie through a trailer or opening credits, making it's main theme a revisited stereoptyped representation.

Instructions for your Final Task :

- 1) you will need to have a full synopsis to tell us about
- 2) You will to introduce us to your serie and to what you would like to make of it
- 3) convince us on how modern this representation will be
- 4) You may use any type of support, so long as there is all the elements of a trailer / an opening credit