



Essay Topic: Marriages & Proposals

In *Pride and Prejudice* and Jane Austen's other novels, we see proposals and marriages that are motivated by love, as well as those that are better described as arranged marriages or marriages of convenience. Many cultures today also expect arranged marriages (not the same as forced). In your essay, compare and discuss the different types of marriages or courtships found in the novels, whether those relationships are new or longstanding.

- **High School Students:** Focus on *Pride and Prejudice* only, or also bring in other Austen works.
- **Undergraduate and Graduate Students:** Discuss at least two Austen novels of your choice.

Open to
High School,
College, &
Graduate School
Students

Awards for Winners

1st-, 2nd- and 3rd-place winners in each category receive:

- Cash scholarships ranging from \$250 to \$1,000.
- One year of free membership in JASNA.
- Publication of the winning essays on the JASNA website.
- First-place winners: free registration and two nights' lodging at the 2023 JASNA Annual General Meeting in Denver, CO, October 27-29.

Entry Deadline

June 1, 2023

Details/How to Enter

It is essential that you visit our Essay Contest webpage for rules and eligibility:

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