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CONVERSATION IN THE NOVEL *PROKLETA AVLIJA*

Abstract

As a young man Ivo Andrić experienced three sorts of calamities: illness, prison and poverty, that left a deep mark in his life, what was later on shown in many of his characters. The existence of evil and division are constantly present in his works. He was seeking for solutions how to overcome evil and division. He thought that a good and sincere conversation was one of the “cures” for reducing evil and division in the life of people and nations. In the novel *Prokleta avlija* we can see how much people need a good and sincere conversation. Honest thinking as well as great effort and permanent education are necessary for achieving that level of communication. Our aim is to try to apply conversation axioms through one of the best novels by Ivo Andrić and determine when we define some conversation successful.

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